

**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
HOUSTON DIVISION**

IN RE	)	
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ALEXANDER E. JONES	)	CASE No. 22-33553
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DEBTOR.	)	(CHAPTER 11)
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	)	JUDGE CHRISTOPHER M. LOPEZ

**SUMMARY COVER SHEET TO THE FIRST INTERIM FEE APPLICATION OF  
BLACKBRIAR ADVISORS, LLC AS FINANCIAL ADVISOR TO THE DEBTOR FOR  
THE FEE PERIOD FROM DECEMBER 2, 2022 THROUGH MAY 15, 2023**

<b>Name of Applicant:</b>	BlackBriar Advisors, LLC	
Applicant's Role in Case:	Financial Advisor to Debtor	
Docket No. of Employment Order(s):	Docket No. 112	
Interim Application (X) No. 1 <sup>st</sup> Final Application ( )	First Interim	
	<b>Beginning of Period</b>	<b>End of Period</b>
Time period covered by this Interim Fee Application for which interim compensation has not previously been awarded:	12/02/2022	05/15/2023
Were the services provided necessary to the administration of or beneficial at the time rendered toward the completion of the case? Yes		
Were the services performed in a reasonable amount of time commensurate with the complexity, importance and nature of the issues addressed? Yes		
Is the requested compensation reasonable based on the customary compensation charged by comparably skilled practitioners in other non-bankruptcy cases? Yes		
Do expense reimbursements represent actual and necessary expenses incurred? Yes		
Total fees requested in this Application: \$754,350.00		
Total expense reimbursements requested in this Application: \$59,443.86		
Total professional hours covered by this Application: 1,713.00		
Average hourly rate for professionals: \$441.79		
Total fees and expenses requested in this Application: \$813,793.87		
Total fees and expenses awarded in all prior Application: \$589,147.81		

**Plan Status:** Debtor has not yet filed a chapter 11 plan of reorganization. Debtor is preparing a plan of reorganization and simultaneously participating in mediation discussions while also defending against two dischargeability adversary proceedings that would substantially impact the outcome of the case.

**Primary Benefits:** During the Fee Period, Blackbriar advised the client on various financial matters, assisting with the drafting and filing of schedules and statements of financial affairs, as well as monthly operating reports. Blackbriar also assisted Debtor in creating budgets and reviewing expenses and business operations. Blackbriar has developed projections and provided financial analysis for plan preparation. Blackbriar has provided financial analysis and advice to Debtor throughout the case.

**If you object to the relief requested, you must respond in writing. Unless otherwise directed by the Court, you must file your response electronically at <https://ecf.txsb.uscourts.gov/> within twenty-one days from the date this motion was filed. If you do not have electronic filing privileges, you must file a written objection that is actually received by the clerk within twenty-one days from the date this application was filed. Otherwise, the Court may treat the pleading as unopposed and grant the relief requested.**

BlackBriar Advisors, LLC (“BlackBriar”), financial advisor to the debtor and debtor-in-possession Alexander E. Jones (“Jones” or “Debtor”), hereby submits its *First Interim Fee Application for Allowance and Payment of Fees and Expenses as Financial Advisor to the Debtor for the Period From December 2, 2022 Through May 15, 2023* (the “Application”) for interim allowance of (a) compensation in the amount of \$754,350.00 for professional services C&D rendered to the Debtor from December 2, 2022 through May 15, 2023 (the “Fee Period”) and (b) reimbursement of actual and necessary expenses in the amount of \$59,443.86 that BlackBriar incurred during the Fee Period.

**Itemization of Services Rendered and Expenses Incurred**

1. In support of this Application, BlackBriar attaches the following exhibits:

<b>EXHIBIT</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
<b>A.</b>	Notice of BlackBriar Advisors LLC’s First Monthly Fee Statement for Compensation of Services Rendered and Reimbursement of Expenses as Financial Advisor to the Debtor for the Period from December 2, 2022 Through December 31, 2022 [Docket No. 131]
<b>B.</b>	Notice of BlackBriar Advisors LLC’s Second Monthly Fee Statement for Compensation of Services Rendered and Reimbursement of Expenses as Financial Advisor to the Debtor for the Period from January 1, 2023 Through January 31, 2023 [Docket No. 194]
<b>C.</b>	Notice of BlackBriar Advisors LLC’s Third Monthly Fee Statement for Compensation of Services Rendered and Reimbursement of Expenses as Financial Advisor to the Debtor for the Period from February 1, 2023 Through February 28, 2023 [Docket No. 237]
<b>D.</b>	Notice of BlackBriar Advisors, LLC’s Fourth Monthly Fee Statement for Compensation of Services Rendered and Reimbursement of

	Expenses as Financial Advisor to the Debtor for the Period from March 1, 2023 Through March 31, 2023 [Docket No. 259]
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2. Although every effort has been made to include all fees and expenses incurred during the Fee Period, some fees and expenses might not be included in this Application due to delays caused by accounting and processing during the Fee Period. BlackBriar reserves the right to make further application to this Court for allowance of such fees and expenses not included herein. Subsequent fee applications will be filed in accordance with title 11 of the United States Code, the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, the Bankruptcy Local Rules for the Southern District of Texas, and the Interim Compensation Order.

3. BlackBriar requests that this Court enter an order (a) granting interim allowance of compensation for professional services rendered by BlackBriar during the Fee Period in the amount of \$754,350.00, (b) granting reimbursement of actual and necessary expenses incurred by BlackBriar during the Fee Period in the amount of \$59,443.86, (c) authorizing and directing the Debtor to pay the fees and expenses to BlackBriar as requested, less any fees and expenses previously paid pursuant to the Interim Compensation Order, for the Fee Period, and (d) granting such other and further relief as is just and proper.

Houston, TX  
Dated: May 30, 2023

**BLACKBRIAR ADVISORS, LLC**

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**FINANCIAL ADVISORS FOR DEBTOR  
ALEXANDER E. JONES**

### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on May 30, 2023, a true and correct copy of the foregoing pleading was served upon the parties listed on the attached service list via the Court's ECF system and pursuant to Local Rule 9003-1, via e mail or U.S. mail as follows:

- a. Co-Counsel to Debtor, Jordan & Ortiz, P.C., 500 North Shoreline Blvd., Suite 900, Corpus Christi, TX 78401 (Attn: Shelby Jordan, [sjordan@jhwclaw.com](mailto:sjordan@jhwclaw.com))
- b. U.S. Trustee c/o Ha Minh Nguyen and Jayson ruff, Office of the United States Trustee 515 Rusk St, Ste 3516 Houston, TX 77002, [ha.nguyen@usdoj.gov](mailto:ha.nguyen@usdoj.gov), [jayson.b.ruff@usdoj.gov](mailto:jayson.b.ruff@usdoj.gov)
- c. Proposed Counsel to the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors, Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP, One Bryant Park, New York, NY 10036 (Attn: David M. Zensky, Marty L. Brimmage, Jr., Sara L. Brauner and Melanie A. Miller; [dzensky@akingump.com](mailto:dzensky@akingump.com), [mbrimmage@akingump.com](mailto:mbrimmage@akingump.com), [sbrauner@akingump.com](mailto:sbrauner@akingump.com), [melanie.miller@akingump.com](mailto:melanie.miller@akingump.com)
- d. Counsel to Connecticut Plaintiffs, (a) Koskoff Koskoff & Bieder PC, 350 Fairfield Avenue, Bridgeport, CT 06604 (Attn: Alinor Sterling, [ASterling@koskoff.com](mailto:ASterling@koskoff.com)) and (b) Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP, 1285 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10019 (Attn: Kyle J. Kimpler and Martin Salvucci, [kkimpler@paulweiss.com](mailto:kkimpler@paulweiss.com), [msalvucci@paulweiss.com](mailto:msalvucci@paulweiss.com))
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- f. Any other parties that the Court may designate.

/s/ Christina W. Stephenson

Christina W. Stephenson

**EXHIBIT “A”**

**First Monthly Fee Statement**

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**FIRST MONTHLY FEE STATEMENT OF BLACKBRIAR ADVISORS, LLC FOR  
ALLOWANCE OF COMPENSATION FOR SERVICES RENDERED AS  
FINANCIAL ADVISOR TO THE DEBTOR FOR THE PERIOD FROM  
DECEMBER 2, 2022 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2022**

<b>Name of Applicant:</b>	BlackBriar Advisors, LLC	
<b>Applicant's Role in Case:</b>	Financial Advisor	
<b>Date Order of Appointment Signed:</b>	January 20, 2023 (Dkt #112)	
	<b>Beginning of Period</b>	<b>End of Period</b>
<b>Time Period Covered in Statement:</b>	12/02/2022	12/31/22
<b>Summary of Total Fees and Expenses Requested</b>		
<b>Total Fees Requested in this Statement:</b>	\$56,544.00 <sup>1</sup> (80% of \$70,680.00)	
<b>Total Reimbursable Expenses Requested in this Statement:</b>	\$3,453.45 <sup>2</sup>	
<b>Summary of Fees for the Period Covered by this Statement</b>		
<b>Professional Fees in this Statement:</b>	\$70,680.00	
<b>Total Actual Professional Hours Covered by this Statement:</b>	157.20	
<b>Average Hourly Rate for Professionals:</b>	\$449.62	
<b>Summary Paraprofessional Fees for the Period Covered by this Statement</b>		
<b>Paraprofessional Fees Requested in this Statement:</b>	\$0.00	
<b>Total Actual Paraprofessional Hours Covered by this Statement:</b>	0.00	
<b>Average Hourly Rate for Paraprofessionals:</b>	\$0.00	

<sup>1</sup> BlackBriar is holding \$200,000.00 as a retainer in its IOLTA Account which is included in this fee/expense request.

<sup>2</sup> The date listed for expenses contained in the attached does not necessarily reflect the date on which the expense was actually incurred by Applicant.



**In accordance with the *Order Granting Motion for Entry of an Order Establishing Procedures for Interim Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses for Chapter 11 Professionals* [Docket No. #106], each party receiving notice of the monthly fee statement will have 14 days after service of the monthly fee statement to object to the requested fees and expenses. Upon the expiration of such 14 day period, the Debtor is authorized to pay the Professional an amount of 80% of the fees and 100% of the expenses requested in the applicable monthly fee statement.**

Pursuant to §§ 327, 330, 331 of title 11 of the United States Code (the “Bankruptcy Code”), Rule 2016 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the “Bankruptcy Rules”), Rule 2016-1 of the Bankruptcy Local Rules for the Southern District of Texas (the “Bankruptcy Local Rules”), and the *Order Granting Motion for Entry of an Order Establishing Procedures for Interim Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses for Retained Professionals* (the “Interim Compensation Order”) [Docket No. 106], BlackBriar Advisors, LLC (“BlackBriar”), as Financial Advisor to the Debtor, hereby files its *First Monthly Fee Statement of BlackBriar Advisors, LLC. for Allowance of Compensation for Services Rendered as Financial Advisor to the Debtor for the Period from December 2, 2022 through December 31, 2022* (the “Monthly Fee Statement”).

### **RELIEF REQUESTED**

1. By this Monthly Fee Statement, and pursuant to the Interim Compensation Order, BlackBriar seeks interim payment of \$56,544.00 (80% of 70,680.00) as compensation for professional services rendered to the Debtor during the period from December 2, 2022 through December 31, 2022 (the “Fee Period”); and reimbursement of actual and necessary expenses in the amount of \$3,453.45, for a total amount of \$59,997.45 to be paid upon expiration of the objection deadline barring any objections, pursuant to the Interim Compensation Order.

2. In support of the Monthly Fee Statement, BlackBriar submits a *Summary of Expenses for the Fee Period*, attached hereto as **Exhibit A**, a *Summary of Legal Fees by Category*

as Counsel for the Fee Period, attached as **Exhibit B**, and a *Detailed Record of Fees as Financial Advisor for the Fee Period*, attached hereto as **Exhibit C**.

3. Pursuant to the Interim Compensation Order, any party objecting to the payment of the compensation and reimbursement of expenses requested herein shall serve on the undersigned counsel and the following Retained Professionals (as defined in the Interim Compensation Order), and each of the other Notice Parties a written objection (the “Objection”) so that it is received on or before the Objection Deadline:

- a. Co-Counsel to Debtor, Jordan & Ortiz, P.C., 500 North Shoreline Blvd., Suite 900, Corpus Christi, TX 78401 (Attn: Shelby Jordan, [sjordan@jhwclaw.com](mailto:sjordan@jhwclaw.com))
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- f. Any other parties that the Court may designate.

In light of the nature of the relief requested herein, BlackBriar submits that no further or other notice is required.

4. Although every effort has been made to include all fees and expenses incurred in the Fee Period, some fees and expenses might not be included in this Monthly Fee Statement due to delays caused by accounting and processing during the Fee Period. BlackBriar reserves the right to make further application to this Court for allowance of such fees and expenses not included herein. Subsequent Monthly Fee Statements will be filed in accordance with the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, and the Interim Compensation Order.

5. Therefore, BlackBriar respectfully submits support for its fees in the amount of \$70,680.00 for reasonable, actual and necessary services rendered by it on behalf of the Debtor during the Fee Period and \$3,453.45 for reasonable, actual and necessary expenses incurred during the Fee Period. BlackBriar further submits that, pursuant to the Interim Compensation Order, and pending the expiration of the objection deadline, if no objections to the Fee Statement are received, that the Debtor shall be authorized to immediately pay to BlackBriar the amount of \$56,544.00<sup>3</sup> which is equal to the sum of 80% of BlackBriar's fees and 100% of BlackBriar's expenses incurred during the Fee Period.

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<sup>3</sup> Such payment to be made first from any existing retainer funds held by BlackBriar for the Debtor.

Houston, TX

Dated: January 27, 2023

**BLACKBRIAR ADVISORS, LLC**

By: /s/ Bob Schleizer

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**EXHIBIT “A”**

**SUMMARY OF EXPENSES FOR THE FEE PERIOD**

<b>EXPENSE</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
Airfare/Train	<b>\$929.60</b>
Mileage	<b>28.19</b>
Meals	<b>46.79</b>
Auto	<b>529.73</b>
Hotel	<b>1,730.85</b>
Other	<b>188.29</b>

**EXHIBIT “B”****SUMMARY OF FEES AND EXPENSES BY CATEGORY  
FOR THE FEE PERIOD**

<b><u>CATEGORIES</u></b>	<b><u>PROFESSIONAL TIME</u></b>	<b><u>PARAPROFESSIONAL TIME</u></b>
B110 Case Administration	38.50	0.00
B120 Asset Analysis and Recovery	64.10	0.00
B130 Asset Disposition	0.00	0.00
B140 Relief from Stay/Adequate Protection	0.00	0.00
B150 Meetings of & Communications with Creditors	2.0	0.00
B160 Fee/Employment Applications	1.30	0.00
B170 Fee/Employment Objections	0.00	0.00
B180 Avoidance Action Analysis	0.00	0.00
B185 Assumption/Rejection of Executory Contracts	0.00	0.00
B190 Other Contested Matters	0.00	0.00
B195 Non-Working Travel	0.00	0.00
B210 Business Operations	51.30	0.00
B220 Employee Benefits/Pensions	0.00	0.00
B230 Financing/Cash Collections	0.00	0.00
B240 Tax Issues	0.00	0.00
B250 Real Estate	0.00	
B260 Board of Directors Matters	0.00	
B310 Claims Administration and Objections	0.00	0.00
B320 Plan and Disclosure Statement	0.00	0.00
B410 General Bankruptcy Advice/Opinions	0.00	0.00
B420 Restructurings	0.00	0.00
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>157.20</b>	<b>0.00</b>

**EXHIBIT “C”**

**DETAILED RECORD OF FEES FOR THE FEE PERIOD**





**BLACK BRIAR**  
ADVISORS LLC

January 27, 2023

Alex E. Jones  
c/o Shelby A. Jordan  
**Jordan & Ortiz, P.C.**  
6207 Bee Cave Road, Suite 120  
Austin, TX 78746

Re: **Alexander E. Jones, Debtor In Possession**

Case No. 22-33553

Billing Period: **December 1 through December 31, 2022**

Invoice No. **AJ1201-22**

**Professional Services  
Rendered:**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Professional</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Task Code</u>
12/5/2022	HK	Travel and meet with counsel enroute regarding case matters and scope	3.00	\$ 1,500.00	B110
12/5/2022	BS	Travel and meet with counsel enroute regarding case matters and scope	3.00	1,500.00	B110
		Kick off introductory individual meetings at Shelby Jordan's office -B. Schleizer, V. Driver, A. Gerard & H. Kessler; met with Shelby Jordan & David Jones (2.5); document accumulation and review for case(.9)			
12/5/2022	BS	Kick off introductory individual meetings at Shelby Jordan's office -B. Schleizer, V. Driver, A. Gerard & H. Kessler; met with Shelby Jordan & David Jones (2.5); prepare asset schedule from counsel records (2.2)	4.70	2,350.00	B110
12/5/2022	HK	Meetings at Shelby Jordan's office; B. Schleizer, V. Driver, A. Gerard & H. Kessler met with A. Jones	3.40	1,700.00	B110
12/6/2022	HK	(.7)& B. Roe - distribution and accounting analysis - FSS and PQPR(3.5);	4.20	2,100.00	B120
12/6/2022	HK	Asset schedule preparation(2.0); analysis of attorney documentation(1.0)	4.00	2,000.00	B120
		Meetings at Shelby Jordan's office; B. Schleizer, V. Driver, A. Gerard & H. Kessler met with A. Jones			
12/6/2022	BS	(.7)& B. Roe - distribution and accounting analysis - FSS and PQPR(2.5); recap with counsel (1.0)	4.20	2,100.00	B120
		Bank account recap and analysis (1.3); Documentation review; dropbox set up (2.4); recap with counsel (1.0)			
12/6/2022	BS		4.70	2,350.00	B120
12/6/2022	HK	B. Schleizer & H. Kessler met with M. Flores - PQPR accounting, ownership, distributrions	0.90	450.00	B210
12/6/2022	BS	B. Schleizer & H. Kessler met with M. Flores - PQPR accounting, ownership, distributrions	0.90	450.00	B210
12/7/2022	HK	B. Schleizer & H. Kessler met with S. Mansfield - personal expenses and banking	2.50	1,250.00	B210
		B. Schleizer & H. Kessler met with S. Mansfield - personal expenses and banking(2.5); move client documents to dropbox(1.6)			
12/7/2022	BS		4.10	2,050.00	B210
12/8/2022	HK	B. Schleizer & H. Kessler call with L. Muniz-Jones assistant; expenses admin for client	0.60	300.00	B210
12/8/2022	BS	B. Schleizer & H. Kessler call with L. Muniz-Jones assistant; expenses admin for client	0.60	300.00	B210
12/8/2022	HK	Review information sent to us by L. Muniz; review information sent by S. Mansfield;	1.60	800.00	B110
12/8/2022	HK	update call with V. Driver & B. Schleizer bankruptcy issues; case admin	0.50	250.00	B110
12/8/2022	BS	update call with V. Driver & B. Schleizer bankruptcy issues; case admin	0.50	250.00	B110
12/8/2022	BS	Call with David Jones - banking	0.40	200.00	B120
		Team Meeting call with V. Driver, P. McGill, R. Battaglia, B. Schleizer & H. Kessler re Free Speech issues			
12/9/2022	HK		0.80	400.00	B110
		Team Meeting call with V. Driver, P. McGill, R. Battaglia, B. Schleizer & H. Kessler re Free Speech issues			
12/9/2022	BS		0.80	400.00	B210
12/9/2022	HK	Document insurance coverage.	1.70	850.00	B210
12/12/2022	HK	Conference call Stephen Lemmon, V. Driver & B. Schleizer Re: information access David Jones	0.80	400.00	B120
12/12/2022	HK	Conference call Stephen Lemmon, V. Driver & B. Schleizer Re: information access David Jones	0.80	400.00	B120
12/13/2022	HK	Review S. Mansfield's emails, updated household expenses & insurance matters	2.30	1,150.00	B210
		Meetings with A. Jones; P. McGill, T. Enlow; call with M. Boyd of Axios Bank regarding DIP account;			
12/14/2022	HK	emails with S. Mansfield; viewed gun safes in office with T. Enlow	8.00	4,000.00	B120
		On site Meeting with Alex and David Jones(3.5); obtain bank account info; extract current bank activity (4.5)			
12/14/2022	KN		8.00	3,200.00	B120
		On site Meeting with Alex and David Jones(2.5); call with Amex and A. Jones (.3); Document accumulation and set up for Initial debtor interview (2.1)			
12/14/2022	BS		4.90	2,450.00	B210
		Meeting with A. Jones at his house, viewed one gun safe/locker, Meeting with J. Dalessio & V. Driver			
12/15/2022	HK		3.00	1,500.00	B120
12/15/2022	KN	Download and sort bank transactions	6.00	2,400.00	B120
		Calls with B. Marchand & B. Schleizer DIP account requirements (.4); emails with S. Mansfield - insurance, expenses(.3); Reviewed Initial Report Checklist missing items(1.0)			
12/16/2022	HK		1.70	850.00	B210
12/16/2022	KN	Download and sort bank transactions (10 accounts)	4.00	1,600.00	B120
		Call with counsel - V. Driver - Initial Debtor Interview (.4); preparation for interview (.8); call with A. Jones re Initial Interview (.2)			
12/16/2022	BS		1.40	700.00	B110

Re: Alexander E. Jones, Debtor In Possession

Case No. 22-33553

Billing Period: December 1 through December 31, 2022  
Invoice No. AJ1201-22

12/17/2022	HK	Team call - Initial Report Checklist for Debtor interview- information requirements/missing documentation	1.20	600.00	B110
12/17/2022	BS	Team call - Initial Report Checklist for Debtor interview- information requirements/missing documentation	1.20	600.00	B110
12/17/2022	KN	Team call - Initial Report Checklist for Debtor interview- information requirements/missing documentation	1.20	480.00	B110
12/17/2022	KN	Download bank statements and activity	6.80	2,720.00	B120
12/18/2022	HK	Review/finalize Initial Report Checklist; call with C. Stephenson	1.10	550.00	B110
12/18/2022	BS	Review/finalize Initial Report Checklist; call with C. Stephenson	0.50	250.00	B110
12/18/2022	KN	Download bank statements and activity	1.50	600.00	B110
12/19/2022	HK	Various calls updating insurance coverages(1.0); bank balances for Initial Report Checklist(.7); call with Dr. Jones(.4); call with Prosperity Bank regarding setting up DIP bank account(.3)	2.40	1,200.00	B210
12/19/2022	HK	Initial Debtor Interview(1.0)	1.00	500.00	B150
12/19/2022	BS	Initial Debtor Interview	1.00	500.00	B150
12/19/2022	KN	Download/analyze bank statements	3.50	1,400.00	B120
12/20/2022	HK	Calls/texts with Dr. Jones (bank contacts)re DIP account .6; calls with Chase Bank to set-up DIP Deposit account .5; call with K. Norderhaug & B. Schleizer to discuss revenue sources (.9); document review 1.8	3.80	1,900.00	B210
12/20/2022	HK	Team call - revenue analysis(.9)	0.90	450.00	B210
12/20/2022	KN	Download bank statements/analysis	5.00	2,000.00	B120
12/21/2022	HK	Call with C. Stephenson & V. Driver Re: bank accounts & utilities(.6); calls with PNC to set-up DIP Deposit account(.3); modeled forecast template(5.7)	6.60	3,300.00	B110
12/21/2022	BS	Email trustee re MOR(.1); follow up - Roe distribution analysis(.1); Excel MOR template (.6)	0.80	400.00	B110
12/22/2022	HK	Calls with PNC Re DIP Deposit account(.4); set-up master control request list from all parties to track information flow (3.1)	3.50	1,750.00	B210
12/22/2022	BS	FSS/PQPR Sales reconciliation; forward to team re: income for client	0.40	200.00	B210
12/23/2022	HK	Call with A. Jones, V. Driver & PNC Bank Re: DIP depository account; Call with V. Driver & R. Battaglia Re: Supplement sales reconciliation	0.70	350.00	B120
12/23/2022	BS	Review employment application.6; update master spreadsheet re document status(.7)	1.30	650.00	B160
12/28/2022	HK	Created excel trend analysis of settlement reconciliation(1.9); update calls with V. Driver, C. Stephenson & B. Schleizer(1.8)	3.70	1,850.00	B110
12/28/2022	BS	calls with counsel; key open issues and document needs	1.80	900.00	B110
12/29/2022	HK	Call with S. Mansfield, K. Norderhaug & B. Schleizer Re: upcoming bills & expenses(.8); worked on expense forecast(2.7)	3.50	1,750.00	B210
12/29/2022	BS	Team call re: cash balances and expenses	0.80	400.00	B210
12/29/2022	KN	Review actual expenses from bank activity and client schedules; set up QB; discussion w/ BS, HK, SM (.8)	7.00	2,800.00	B210
12/30/2022	KN	Set Up QB accounting	2.50	1,000.00	B210
12/31/2022	HK	Updated settlement reconciliation, emailed agenda out to participants for next weeks meeting at FSS	1.80	900.00	B210
12/31/2022	KN	Set Up QB accounting	3.70	1,480.00	B210
			<b>151.20</b>	<b>\$ 70,680.00</b>	

Total hours for Robert Schleizer (BS)	35.00	\$ 17,500.00
Total hours for Harold Kessler (HK)	67.00	33,500.00
Total hours for Kathy Norderhaug (KN)	49.20	19,680.00
	<b>151.20</b>	<b>\$ 70,680.00</b>

**Expenses**

From attached expense breakdown

\$ 3,453.45

**Total Invoice Amount****\$ 74,133.45**

BlackBriar Advisors LLC  
2626 Cole Ave., Suite 300  
Dallas, TX 75204

Alex E. Jones

Billing Period:

December 1 through December 31, 2022

Invoice:

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Airfare/Train</u>	<u>Mileage</u>	<u>Meals</u>	<u>Auto</u>	<u>Hotel</u>	<u>Other</u>	<u>Total</u>
1-Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2-Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3-Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
4-Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5-Dec	-	-	-	-	-	19.98	19.98
6-Dec	224.00	-	-	-	-	114.31	338.31
7-Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
8-Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
9-Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
10-Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
11-Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
12-Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
13-Dec	576.60	14.09	46.79	514.29	1,085.93	24.00	2,261.70
14-Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15-Dec	129.00	14.10	-	15.44	644.92	30.00	833.46
16-Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
17-Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
18-Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
19-Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
20-Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
21-Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
22-Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
23-Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
24-Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
25-Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
26-Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
27-Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
28-Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
29-Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
30-Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
31-Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 929.60</b>	<b>\$ 28.19</b>	<b>\$ 46.79</b>	<b>\$ 529.73</b>	<b>\$ 1,730.85</b>	<b>\$ 188.29</b>	<b>\$ 3,453.45</b>

**EXHIBIT “B”**

**Second Monthly Fee Statement**

**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
HOUSTON DIVISION**

IN RE	)	
	)	
ALEXANDER E. JONES	)	CASE No. 22-33553
	)	
DEBTOR.	)	(CHAPTER 11)
	)	
	)	JUDGE CHRISTOPHER M. LOPEZ

**SECOND MONTHLY FEE STATEMENT OF BLACKBRIAR ADVISORS, LLC FOR  
ALLOWANCE OF COMPENSATION FOR SERVICES RENDERED AS  
FINANCIAL ADVISOR TO THE DEBTOR FOR THE PERIOD FROM  
JANUARY 1, 2023 THROUGH JANUARY 31, 2022**

Name of Applicant:	BlackBriar Advisors, LLC	
Applicant’s Role in Case:	Financial Advisor	
Date Order of Appointment Signed:	January 20, 2023 (Dkt #112)	
	Beginning of Period	End of Period
Time Period Covered in Statement:	01/01/2023	01/31/2023
Summary of Total Fees and Expenses Requested		
Total Fees Requested in this Statement:	\$123,256.00 <sup>1</sup> (80% of \$154,070.00)	
Total Reimbursable Expenses Requested in this Statement:	\$6,422.00 <sup>2</sup>	
Summary of Fees for the Period Covered by this Statement		
Professional Fees in this Statement:	\$154,070.00	
Total Actual Professional Hours Covered by this Statement:	363.00	
Average Hourly Rate for Professionals:	\$424.00	

**In accordance with the *Order Granting Motion for Entry of an Order Establishing Procedures for Interim Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses for Chapter 11 Professionals* [Docket No. #106], each party receiving notice of the monthly fee statement will have 14 days after service of the monthly fee statement to object to the requested fees and expenses. Upon the expiration of such 14 day period, the Debtor is authorized to pay the Professional an amount of 80% of the fees and 100% of the expenses requested in the applicable monthly fee statement.**

<sup>1</sup> BlackBriar was provided a retainer of \$200,000 prior to the bankruptcy filing. \$59,997.45 was applied to the December, 2022 fees and expenses, leaving a balance of \$140,000.55.

<sup>2</sup> The date listed for expenses contained in the attached does not necessarily reflect the date on which the expense was actually incurred by Applicant.

Pursuant to §§ 327, 330, 331 of title 11 of the United States Code (the “Bankruptcy Code”), Rule 2016 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the “Bankruptcy Rules”), Rule 2016-1 of the Bankruptcy Local Rules for the Southern District of Texas (the “Bankruptcy Local Rules”), and the *Order Granting Motion for Entry of an Order Establishing Procedures for Interim Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses for Retained Professionals* (the “Interim Compensation Order”) [Docket No. 106], BlackBriar Advisors, LLC (“BlackBriar”), as Financial Advisor to the Debtor, hereby files its *Second Monthly Fee Statement of BlackBriar Advisors, LLC. for Allowance of Compensation for Services Rendered as Financial Advisor to the Debtor for the Period from January 1, 2023 through January 31, 2023* (the “Monthly Fee Statement”).

### **RELIEF REQUESTED**

1. By this Monthly Fee Statement, and pursuant to the Interim Compensation Order, BlackBriar seeks interim payment of \$123,256.00 (80% of 154,070.00) as compensation for professional services rendered to the Debtor during the period from January 1, 2023 through January 31, 2023 (the “Fee Period”); and reimbursement of actual and necessary expenses in the amount of \$6,422.00, for a total amount of \$129,678.00 to be paid upon expiration of the objection deadline barring any objections, pursuant to the Interim Compensation Order.

2. In support of the Monthly Fee Statement, BlackBriar submits a *Summary of Expenses for the Fee Period*, attached hereto as **Exhibit A**, a *Summary of Legal Fees by Category as Counsel for the Fee Period*, attached as **Exhibit B**, and a *Detailed Record of Fees as Financial Advisor for the Fee Period*, attached hereto as **Exhibit C**.

3. Pursuant to the Interim Compensation Order, any party objecting to the payment of the compensation and reimbursement of expenses requested herein shall serve on the undersigned counsel and the following Retained Professionals (as defined in the Interim Compensation Order),

and each of the other Notice Parties a written objection (the “Objection”) so that it is received on or before the Objection Deadline:

- a. Co-Counsel to Debtor, Jordan & Ortiz, P.C., 500 North Shoreline Blvd., Suite 900, Corpus Christi, TX 78401 (Attn: Shelby Jordan, [sjordan@jhwclaw.com](mailto:sjordan@jhwclaw.com))
- b. U.S. Trustee c/o Ha Minh Nguyen and Jayson Ruff, Office of the United States Trustee 515 Rusk St, Ste 3516 Houston, TX 77002, [ha.nguyen@usdoj.gov](mailto:ha.nguyen@usdoj.gov), [jayson.b.ruff@usdoj.gov](mailto:jayson.b.ruff@usdoj.gov)
- c. Proposed Counsel to the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors, Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP, One Bryant Park, New York, NY 10036 (Attn: David M. Zensky, Marty L. Brimmage, Jr., Sara L. Brauner and Melanie A. Miller; [dzensky@akingump.com](mailto:dzensky@akingump.com), [mbrimmage@akingump.com](mailto:mbrimmage@akingump.com), [sbrauner@akingump.com](mailto:sbrauner@akingump.com), [melanie.miller@akingump.com](mailto:melanie.miller@akingump.com)
- d. Counsel to Connecticut Plaintiffs, (a) Koskoff Koskoff & Bieder PC, 350 Fairfield Avenue, Bridgeport, CT 06604 (Attn: Alinor Sterling, [ASterling@koskoff.com](mailto:ASterling@koskoff.com)) and (b) Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP, 1285 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10019 (Attn: Kyle J. Kimpler and Martin Salvucci, [kkimpler@paulweiss.com](mailto:kkimpler@paulweiss.com), [msalvucci@paulweiss.com](mailto:msalvucci@paulweiss.com))
- e. Counsel to Texas Plaintiffs, (a) McDowell Hetherington LLP, 1001 Fannin Street, Suite 2700, Houston, TX 77002 (Attn: Avi Moshenberg, [avi.moshenberg@mhllp.com](mailto:avi.moshenberg@mhllp.com)) and (b) Chamberlain, Hrdlicka, White, Williams & Aughtry, PC, 1200 Smith Street, Suite 1400, Houston, TX 77002 (Attn: Jarrod B. Martin, [Jarrod.Martin@chamberlainlaw.com](mailto:Jarrod.Martin@chamberlainlaw.com))
- f. Any other parties that the Court may designate.

In light of the nature of the relief requested herein, BlackBriar submits that no further or other notice is required.

4. Although every effort has been made to include all fees and expenses incurred in the Fee Period, some fees and expenses might not be included in this Monthly Fee Statement due to delays caused by accounting and processing during the Fee Period. BlackBriar reserves the right to make further application to this Court for allowance of such fees and expenses not included

herein. Subsequent Monthly Fee Statements will be filed in accordance with the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, and the Interim Compensation Order.

5. Therefore, BlackBriar respectfully submits support for its fees in the amount of \$154,070.00 for reasonable, actual and necessary services rendered by it on behalf of the Debtor during the Fee Period and \$6,422.00 for reasonable, actual and necessary expenses incurred during the Fee Period. BlackBriar further submits that, pursuant to the Interim Compensation Order, and pending the expiration of the objection deadline, if no objections to the Fee Statement are received, that the Debtor shall be authorized to immediately pay to BlackBriar the amount of \$123,256.00<sup>3</sup> which is equal to the sum of 80% of BlackBriar's fees and 100% of BlackBriar's expenses incurred during the Fee Period.

Houston, TX  
Dated: March 2, 2023

**BLACKBRIAR ADVISORS, LLC**

By: /s/ Robert Schleizer  
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**FINANCIAL ADVISORS FOR DEBTOR  
ALEXANDER E. JONES**

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<sup>3</sup> Such payment to be made first from any existing retainer funds held by BlackBriar for the Debtor.  
**SECOND MONTHLY FEE STATEMENT OF BLACKBRIAR ADVISORS, LLC – Page 4**



### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on March 2, 2023, a true and correct copy of the foregoing pleading was served upon the parties listed on the attached service list via the Court's ECF system and pursuant to Local Rule 9003-1, via e mail or U.S. mail as follows:

- a. Co-Counsel to Debtor, Jordan & Ortiz, P.C., 500 North Shoreline Blvd., Suite 900, Corpus Christi, TX 78401 (Attn: Shelby Jordan, [sjordan@jhwclaw.com](mailto:sjordan@jhwclaw.com))
- b. U.S. Trustee c/o Ha Minh Nguyen and Jayson ruff, Office of the United States Trustee 515 Rusk St, Ste 3516 Houston, TX 77002, [ha.nguyen@usdoj.gov](mailto:ha.nguyen@usdoj.gov), [jayson.b.ruff@usdoj.gov](mailto:jayson.b.ruff@usdoj.gov)
- c. Proposed Counsel to the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors, Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP, One Bryant Park, New York, NY 10036 (Attn: David M. Zensky, Marty L. Brimmage, Jr., Sara L. Brauner and Melanie A. Miller; [dzensky@akingump.com](mailto:dzensky@akingump.com), [mbrimmage@akingump.com](mailto:mbrimmage@akingump.com), [sbrauner@akingump.com](mailto:sbrauner@akingump.com), [melanie.miller@akingump.com](mailto:melanie.miller@akingump.com)
- d. Counsel to Connecticut Plaintiffs, (a) Koskoff Koskoff & Bieder PC, 350 Fairfield Avenue, Bridgeport, CT 06604 (Attn: Alinor Sterling, [ASterling@koskoff.com](mailto:ASterling@koskoff.com)) and (b) Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP, 1285 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10019 (Attn: Kyle J. Kimpler and Martin Salvucci, [kkimpler@paulweiss.com](mailto:kkimpler@paulweiss.com), [msalvucci@paulweiss.com](mailto:msalvucci@paulweiss.com))
- e. Counsel to Texas Plaintiffs, (a) McDowell Hetherington LLP, 1001 Fannin Street, Suite 2700, Houston, TX 77002 (Attn: Avi Moshenberg, [avi.moshenberg@mhlhp.com](mailto:avi.moshenberg@mhlhp.com)) and (b) Chamberlain, Hrdlicka, White, Williams & Aughtry, PC, 1200 Smith Street, Suite 1400, Houston, TX 77002 (Attn: Jarrod B. Martin, [Jarrod.Martin@chamberlainlaw.com](mailto:Jarrod.Martin@chamberlainlaw.com))
- f. Any other parties that the Court may designate.

/s/ Christina W. Stephenson

Christina W. Stephenson

**EXHIBIT “A”**

**SUMMARY OF EXPENSES FOR THE FEE PERIOD**

<b>EXPENSE</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
Airfare/Train	<b>\$1,835.20</b>
Mileage	<b>28.19</b>
Meals	<b>480.00</b>
Auto	<b>714.41</b>
Hotel	<b>3,119.30</b>
Other	<b>245.22</b>

**EXHIBIT “B”****SUMMARY OF FEES AND EXPENSES BY CATEGORY  
FOR THE FEE PERIOD**

<b><u>CATEGORIES</u></b>	<b><u>PROFESSIONAL TIME</u></b>
B110 Case Administration	122.70
B120 Asset Analysis and Recovery	0.00
B130 Asset Disposition	0.00
B140 Relief from Stay/Adequate Protection	0.00
B150 Meetings of & Communications with Creditors	0.00
B160 Fee/Employment Applications	1.80
B170 Fee/Employment Objections	0.00
B180 Avoidance Action Analysis	0.00
B185 Assumption/Rejection of Executory Contracts	0.00
B190 Other Contested Matters	0.00
B195 Non-Working Travel	39.00
B210 Business Operations	194.50
B220 Employee Benefits/Pensions	0.00
B230 Financing/Cash Collections	0.00
B240 Tax Issues	5.0
B250 Real Estate	0.00
B260 Board of Directors Matters	0.00
B310 Claims Administration and Objections	0.00
B320 Plan and Disclosure Statement	0.00
B410 General Bankruptcy Advice/Opinions	0.00
B420 Restructurings	0.00
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>363.00</b>

**EXHIBIT “C”**

**DETAILED RECORD OF FEES FOR THE FEE PERIOD**



# BLACK BRIAR

ADVISORS LLC

January 31, 2023

Alex E. Jones  
c/o Shelby A. Jordan  
**Jordan & Ortiz, P.C.**  
6207 Bee Cave Road, Suite 120  
Austin, TX 78746

Re: **Alexander E. Jones, Debtor In Possession** Case No. **22-33553**

Billing Period: **January 1 through January 31, 2023**

Invoice No. **AJ0101-23**

**Professional  
Services Rendered:**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Professional</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Task Code</u>
1/2/2023	KN	Enter transactions to Accounting	4.50	\$ 1,800.00	B210
		Review of new Accounting chart of accounts & initial P&L; call with K. Norderhaug & B. Schleizer to			
1/3/2023	HK	discuss P&L, chart of accounts, forecast & BS	3.30	1,650.00	B210
1/3/2023	BS	Call with K. Norderhaug & H. Kessler - accounting set up and processes	1.80	900.00	B210
1/3/2023	KN	Enter transactions to Accounting	7.00	2,800.00	B210
1/4/2023	HK	Prepared for Thursday's meeting at FSS; framed in forecast	2.20	1,100.00	B210
1/4/2023	HK	Travel - non - working	1.50	375.00	B195
1/4/2023	BS	Travel - non - working	1.50	375.00	B195
		Calls emails w. R. Kennerly, Tax CPA - 2021 tax return (.6); Emails/calls re household expenses,			
1/4/2023	BS	deposits(.8)	1.40	1,100.00	B240
1/4/2023	KN	Accounting and Forecast	7.50	3,000.00	B210
		At FSS for meetings with P. Magill, R. Battaglia, C. Stephenson & B. Schleizer (sales process,			
1/5/2023	HK	accounting & forecasts & strategy); Meeting with B. Roddy (sales & fulfillment) & D. Karpova	7.50	3,750.00	B210
		(production & supplement sales)			
		At FSS for meetings with P. Magill, R. Battaglia, C. Stephenson & H. Kessler (sales process, accounting			
1/5/2023	BS	& forecasts & strategy); Meeting with B. Roddy (sales & fulfillment) & D. Karpova (production &	6.30	3,150.00	B210
1/5/2023	KN	supplement sales); calls w D. Jones re bank accounts; Move payroll to DIP	4.00	1,600.00	B210
1/6/2023	HK	Entries to Accounting and Forecast for A. Jones	0.20	100.00	B110
1/6/2023	HK	FSS telephonic status conference call	0.70	350.00	B210
		Summarize meeting and action items			
1/6/2023	HK	Summarize meeting and action items (.5); Insurance research, discussions/emails - SM; J. Dietz(.6)	3.70	1,850.00	B210
1/6/2023	HK	(Allstate); calls - C. Stephenson (.2); Accounting issues (2.5)	3.00	750.00	B195
1/6/2023	BS	Travel - non - working	3.00	750.00	B195
1/7/2023	BS	Update call with A. Jones	0.70	350.00	B210
1/7/2023	HK	Update call with A. Jones & B. Schleizer	0.70	350.00	B210
		Prepare action items and agenda for meeting w A. Jones(1.0); emails - J. Haarman - Mountain Way			
1/8/2023	BS	re: receivable due A. Jones (.1)	1.10	550.00	B210
1/8/2023	HK	Review/revise agenda for Tuesday's meeting with A. Jones & B. Schleizer;	0.40	200.00	B210
1/9/2023	HK	Prepared for Tuesday's meeting at FSS with A. Jones	1.00	500.00	B210
1/9/2023	HK	Call with K. Norderhaug & B. Schleizer Draft forecast	0.50	250.00	B210
1/9/2023	BS	Cash flow forecast and accounting issues; payroll; reimbursable expenses	2.60	1,300.00	B210
1/9/2023	HK	Travel - non - working	3.00	750.00	B195
1/9/2023	KN	Accounting; cash flow; download bank transactions	4.50	1,800.00	B210
1/9/2023	BS	Travel - non - working	3.00	750.00	B195
		Meeting with A. Jones & B. Schleizer to give him an update, go through list of questions for			
1/10/2023	HK	schedules, sources of income	2.50	1,250.00	B110
		On site meeting with A. Jones- case update to give him an update, go through list of questions for			
1/10/2023	BS	schedules, sources of income (2.5); follow up w FSS re: motorhome note status - A. Jones guarantee	2.80	1,400.00	B110
1/10/2023	HK	(.3);	0.40	200.00	B110
1/10/2023	BS	Call with attorney's Re: debtor interview tomorrow	0.90	450.00	B110
1/10/2023	HK	Preparation - 341 hearing (.5); call with counsel (.4)	0.30	150.00	B210
		Call with J. Dalessio, A. Jones & B. Schleizer			
1/10/2023	BS	Call with J. Dalessio, A. Jones(.3); meeting B. Stedham (FSS) & calls emails R. Kennerly re bitcoin	0.90	450.00	B210
1/10/2023	HK	transactions (.6)	0.30	150.00	B240
1/10/2023	BS	Meeting with T. Bennett, A. Jones & B. Schleizer Re: sale of Bitcoin	0.30	150.00	B240
1/10/2023	BS	Meeting with T. Bennett, A. Jones & B. Schleizer Re: sale of Bitcoin	0.80	400.00	B210
1/10/2023	BS	Meet PNC bank rep; deposit trust check to PNC DIP			

Re: Alexander E. Jones, Debtor In Possession

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1/10/2023	HK	Review non-DIP accounts online (.5); Meeting -D. Jones to transfer money from bank accounts to PNC DIP account (.5)	1.00	500.00	B210
1/10/2023	BS	Meeting -D. Jones to transfer money from bank accounts to PNC DIP account	0.50	250.00	B210
1/10/2023	HK	Travel - non - working	3.00	750.00	B195
1/10/2023	KN	Accounting and expense research; discussions with Sarah- AJ Asst; initiate transfers to A. Jones name for certain accounts/services	4.00	1,600.00	B210
1/11/2023	HK	Prep for Telephonic UCC call	0.30	150.00	B110
1/11/2023	HK	Telephonic Creditors call with US Trustee	0.50	250.00	B110
1/11/2023	BS	Prep for Telephonic UCC call	0.30	150.00	B110
1/11/2023	BS	Telephonic Creditors call with US Trustee	0.50	250.00	B110
1/11/2023	HK	Updated PQPR weekly Sales Reconciliation	0.20	100.00	B210
1/11/2023	HK	Reviewed business entity PowerPoint	0.20	100.00	B110
1/11/2023	HK	Update call with B. Schleizer Re: meeting with J. Dalessio (ESG) and J. Shulse - FSS	0.20	100.00	B210
1/11/2023	BS	Meeting J. Shulse FSS in Houston re accounting and cash flow issues	2.00	1,000.00	B210
1/11/2023	BS	Update call - HK Re: meeting with J. Dalessio (ESG) and J. Shulse - FSS	0.20	100.00	B210
1/11/2023	KN	Accounting: cash flow	4.50	1,800.00	B210
1/11/2023	BS	Travel - non - working	3.00	750.00	B195
1/12/2023	HK	Created ESG settlement weekly spreadsheet	0.90	450.00	B210
1/12/2023	BS	ESG reconciliation; contract review(.5); follow up J. J. Shulse - expense reimbursements; FSS accounting(.3)	0.80	400.00	B210
1/12/2023	KN	Bank issues: Accounting; cash flow (6); MOR setup; review Call re: Actions items and accounting issues with B. Schleizer (2.0)	8.00	3,200.00	B210
1/12/2023	BS	Teams - KN - accounting and cash flow	2.00	1,000.00	B210
1/13/2023	HK	Call with C. Stephenson, V. Driver & B. Schleizer - case admin	0.60	300.00	B110
1/13/2023	BS	Call with C. Stephenson, V. Driver - case issues	0.60	300.00	B110
1/13/2023	HK	Call with K. Norderhaug & B. Schleizer - accounting/budget	1.00	500.00	B210
1/13/2023	BS	MOR - accounting issues	0.80	400.00	B110
1/13/2023	KN	MOR set up; call with B. Schleizer, H. Kessler	0.40	160.00	B210
1/13/2023	KN	Call with B. Schleizer, H. Kessler - accounting deficiencies	4.60	1,840.00	B210
1/16/2023	HK	Call with B. Schleizer - case issues	0.40	200.00	B110
1/16/2023	HK	Call with V. Driver & B. Schleizer - case issues	0.50	250.00	B110
1/16/2023	HK	Reviewed J. Dalessio's response to B. Schleizer's email Re: ESG forecast	1.00	500.00	B210
1/16/2023	HK	Worked on ESG forecast	1.50	750.00	B210
1/16/2023	KN	Accounting ; cash flow;	3.00	1,200.00	B210
1/16/2023	KN	MOR	2.00	800.00	B110
1/17/2023	HK	Reviewed J. Dalessio's discussion points regarding ESG's supplement sales & new product discussions, current inventory on hand to meet sales	3.50	1,750.00	B210
1/17/2023	BS	ESG receivable (.7); review 1st draft of financials; email follow up(.6)	1.30	650.00	B210
1/17/2023	HK	Non-working travel	3.00	750.00	B110
1/17/2023	KN	Accounting; expense; discussions David Jones	4.00	1,600.00	B210
1/17/2023	KN	Accounting; expense; discussions David Jones, MOR	5.50	2,200.00	B110
1/18/2023	HK	At FSS - meeting with B. Roddy, meeting with J. Dalessio, call with J. Dalessio & R. Schleizer; meeting with T. Enlow	8.00	4,000.00	B210
1/18/2023	BS	Call w J. Dalesio; receivable; contract terms	0.60	300.00	B210
1/18/2023	BS	MOR review	0.30	150.00	B210
1/18/2023	BS	Call w PNC - bounced checks; (.3)	0.30	150.00	B210
1/18/2023	BS	Tax issues; bitcoin; open items on 2021 - AJ, FSS & PQPR	0.50	250.00	B240
1/18/2023	KN	MOR, Accounting	7.00	2,800.00	B110
1/19/2023	HK	At FSS - Meeting with B. Roddy to discuss 3 supplement forecast	1.60	800.00	B210
1/19/2023	HK	Call with A. Jones & B. Schleizer re case issues; upcoming hearings	0.40	200.00	B110
1/19/2023	HK	Travel - non - working	3.00	750.00	B195
1/19/2023	BS	Travel - non - working	3.00	750.00	B195
1/19/2023	KN	Accounting	8.00	3,200.00	B210
1/20/2023	HK	Call with V. Driver, B. Schleizer Re: MOR	0.10	50.00	B110
1/20/2023	HK	Teams call K. Norderhaug & B. Schleizer to discuss go through MOR	2.90	1,450.00	B110
1/20/2023	BS	Teams call MOR	2.90	1,450.00	B110
1/20/2023	BS	Hearing - utilities, etc.	0.50	250.00	B110
1/20/2023	BS	Tax discussion T. Bennett- bitcoin	0.60	300.00	B240
1/20/2023	HK	Updated settlement reconciliation & then revised as FSS revised amounts	0.60	300.00	B210
1/20/2023	KN	MOR	6.50	2,600.00	B110
1/21/2023	KN	Accounting	5.00	2,000.00	B210
1/21/2023	KN	MOR	2.00	800.00	B110
1/21/2023	KN	MOR	0.80	320.00	B110
1/22/2023	HK	Review DRAFT MOR as of 12/31/22 & schedules	1.00	500.00	B110
1/22/2023	BS	Review DRAFT MOR as of 12/31/22 & schedules	0.70	350.00	B110
1/22/2023	HK	Call with BlackBriar to finalize MOR & schedules	1.30	650.00	B110

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1/22/2023	HK	Call with BlackBriar to finalize MOR & schedules	1.30	650.00	B110
1/22/2023	HK	Final reviews	1.00	500.00	B110
1/22/2023	KN	MOR	4.00	1,600.00	B110
1/22/2023	KN	Accounting	2.50	1,000.00	B210
1/22/2023	BS	MOR - review and send to attorney for prep	0.90	450.00	B110
1/23/2023	HK	Calls with BlackBriar and Crowe & Dunlevy Re: MOR & schedules	0.80	400.00	B110
1/23/2023	BS	Discussion, emails N. Collins,- tax attorney; R. Kennerly	0.60	300.00	B240
1/23/2023	BS	Calls with BlackBriar and Crowe & Dunlevy Re: MOR & schedules	0.80	400.00	B110
1/23/2023	HK	Worked on A. Jones revenue forecast	2.10	1,050.00	B210
1/23/2023	KN	Accounting; Monthly Forecast; Property values	7.00	2,800.00	B210
1/24/2023	HK	Non working travel	3.00	750.00	B195
1/24/2023	BS	Non working travel	3.00	750.00	B195
1/24/2023	BS	Banking issues	0.50	250.00	B110
1/24/2023	HK	Onsite final MOR & all schedules with BlackBriar and Crowe & Dunlevy	2.60	1,300.00	B110
1/24/2023	BS	Onsite final MOR & all schedules with BlackBriar and Crowe & Dunlevy	2.60	1,300.00	B110
1/24/2023	BS	Real Estate Analysis	1.50	750.00	B110
1/24/2023	HK	Created notes of documents needed from D. Jones for tomorrow's meeting	0.90	450.00	B210
1/24/2023	KN	Monthly Forecast; property values; discussions with Leslie and Sarah	7.00	2,800.00	B210
1/25/2023	HK	Team meeting to set agenda for D. Jones meeting	1.00	500.00	B210
1/25/2023	BS	Team meeting to set agenda for D. Jones meeting	1.00	500.00	B210
1/25/2023	BS	DIP account issues	0.40	200.00	B210
1/25/2023	HK	Meeting with D. Jones - trusts; property ownership; banking	3.50	1,750.00	B210
1/25/2023	HK	Meeting with D. Jones - trusts; property ownership; banking	3.50	1,750.00	B210
1/25/2023	HK	Calls/meeting with BlackBriar & Crowe Dunlevy; UCC	1.80	900.00	B110
1/25/2023	HK	Calls/meeting with BlackBriar & Crowe Dunlevy; UCC	1.80	900.00	B110
1/25/2023	HK	Meeting A. Jones	0.80	400.00	B110
1/25/2023	BS	Meeting A. Jones	0.80	400.00	B110
1/25/2023	BS	Meeting with FSS	0.90	450.00	B210
1/25/2023	HK	Meeting with FSS	0.90	450.00	B210
1/25/2023	KN	Forecast, banking, discussions with D. Jones	7.00	2,800.00	B210
1/26/2023	HK	Reviewed P&L Forecast received	1.50	750.00	B210
1/26/2023	HK	Meeting with BlackBriar and Crowe & Dunlevy to set agenda for FSS forecast meeting	1.00	500.00	B210
1/26/2023	BS	Emails & calls re tax information	0.30	150.00	B240
1/26/2023	BS	Meeting with BlackBriar and Crowe & Dunlevy to set agenda for FSS forecast meeting	1.00	500.00	B210
1/26/2023	HK	FSS P&L Forecast meeting	3.50	1,750.00	B210
1/26/2023	BS	FSS P&L Forecast meeting	3.50	1,750.00	B210
1/26/2023	BS	Meeting A. Jones	1.80	900.00	B210
1/26/2023	HK	Meeting A. Jones	1.80	900.00	B210
1/26/2023	HK	Non working travel	3.00	750.00	B195
1/26/2023	BS	PQPR distribution analysis(.8); Bitcoin basis follow up (.2)	1.00	250.00	B240
1/26/2023	BS	Non working travel	3.00	750.00	B195
1/26/2023	KN	Monthly forecast; Transactions	3.00	1,200.00	B210
1/26/2023	KN	SOFA	1.00	400.00	B110
1/27/2023	BS	Fee app review	1.80	900.00	B160
1/27/2023	HK	Updated master spreadsheet supplement reconciliation & calls with J. Dalessio	2.00	1,000.00	B210
1/27/2023	HK	Review updated FSS forecasted P&L	2.20	1,100.00	B210
1/27/2023	KN	Transactions; Budget; discussions with Sarah	3.00	1,200.00	B210
1/27/2023	KN	SOFA	4.00	1,600.00	B110
1/29/2023	BS	Calls - A. Jones; C. Cicack	0.50	250.00	B210
1/29/2023	KN	SOFA	7.50	3,000.00	B110
1/30/2023	KN	SOFA; transfers; Accounting; discussions with David and Sarah	8.00	3,200.00	B110
1/30/2023	BS	DIP account issues; bounced checks and wires	0.50	250.00	B210
1/31/2023	KN	Accounting Research- Transfers, SOFA	8.00	3,200.00	B110
1/30/2023	HK	Calls with BlackBriar & attorney's regarding SOFA's	3.50	1,750.00	B110
1/30/2023	KN	SOFA; transfers; QB; discussions with David and Sarah	8.00	3,200.00	B110
1/31/2023	HK	UCC FA introduction call	0.30	150.00	B110
1/31/2023	BS	UCC FA introduction call	0.30	150.00	B110
1/31/2023	HK	Calls with BlackBriar & attorneys regarding transfer analysis	0.50	250.00	B110
1/31/2023	BS	Calls with BlackBriar & attorneys regarding transfer analysis	0.50	250.00	B110
1/31/2023	HK	FSS forecast	0.50	250.00	B210
1/31/2023	HK	worked on SOFA & schedules	3.80	1,900.00	B110
1/31/2023	KN	Accounting Transfers, SOFA	8.00	3,200.00	B110

363.00	\$ 154,070.00
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Total hours for Robert Schleizer (BS)	75.70	33,125.00	
Total hours for Harold Kessler (HK)	116.50	52,625.00	
Total hours for Kathy Norderhaug (KN)	170.80	68,320.00	
	<u>363.00</u>	<u>\$ 154,070.00</u>	\$ -

Expenses

From attached expense breakdown	\$ 6,422.40
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<b>Total Invoice Amount</b>	<u><u>\$ 160,492.40</u></u>
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BlackBriar Advisors LLC  
 2626 Cole Ave., Suite 300  
 Dallas, TX 75204



Alex E. Jones

Billing Period:

January 1 through January 31, 2023

Invoice:

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Airfare/Train</u>	<u>Mileage</u>	<u>Meals</u>	<u>Auto</u>	<u>Hotel</u>	<u>Other</u>	<u>Total</u>
1-Jan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2-Jan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3-Jan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
4-Jan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5-Jan	-	-	-	-	-	19.98	19.98
6-Jan	224.00	-	-	-	-	114.31	338.31
7-Jan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
8-Jan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
9-Jan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
10-Jan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
11-Jan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
12-Jan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
13-Jan	576.60	14.09	46.79	514.29	1,085.93	24.00	2,261.70
14-Jan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15-Jan	129.00	14.10	-	15.44	644.92	30.00	833.46
16-Jan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
17-Jan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
18-Jan	458.00	-	-	-	-	16.00	474.00
19-Jan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
20-Jan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
21-Jan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
22-Jan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
23-Jan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
24-Jan	447.60	-	186.83	-	727.40	-	1,361.83
25-Jan	-	-	218.79	-	-	24.00	242.79
26-Jan	-	-	27.67	-	661.05	-	688.72
27-Jan	-	-	-	184.68	-	16.93	201.61
28-Jan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
29-Jan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
30-Jan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
31-Jan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,835.20</b>	<b>\$ 28.19</b>	<b>\$ 480.08</b>	<b>\$ 714.41</b>	<b>\$ 3,119.30</b>	<b>\$ 245.22</b>	<b>\$ 6,422.40</b>

**EXHIBIT “C”**

**Third Monthly Fee Statement**

**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
HOUSTON DIVISION**

IN RE	)	
	)	
ALEXANDER E. JONES	)	CASE No. 22-33553
	)	
DEBTOR.	)	(CHAPTER 11)
	)	
	)	JUDGE CHRISTOPHER M. LOPEZ

**THIRD MONTHLY FEE STATEMENT OF BLACKBRIAR ADVISORS, LLC FOR  
ALLOWANCE OF COMPENSATION FOR SERVICES RENDERED AS  
FINANCIAL ADVISOR TO THE DEBTOR FOR THE PERIOD FROM  
FEBRUARY 1, 2023 THROUGH FEBRUARY 28, 2023**

Name of Applicant:	BlackBriar Advisors, LLC	
Applicant’s Role in Case:	Financial Advisor	
Date Order of Appointment Signed:	January 20, 2023 (Dkt #112)	
	Beginning of Period	End of Period
Time Period Covered in Statement:	02/01/2023	02/28/2023
Summary of Total Fees and Expenses Requested		
Total Fees Requested in this Statement:	\$102,740.00 <sup>1</sup> (80% of \$128,425.00)	
Total Reimbursable Expenses Requested in this Statement:	\$6,114.96 <sup>2</sup>	
Summary of Fees for the Period Covered by this Statement		
Professional Fees in this Statement:	\$128,425.00	
Total Actual Professional Hours Covered by this Statement:	281.50	
Average Hourly Rate for Professionals:	\$456.22	

**In accordance with the *Order Granting Motion for Entry of an Order Establishing Procedures for Interim Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses for Chapter 11 Professionals* [Docket No. #106], each party receiving notice of the monthly fee statement will have 14 days after service of the monthly fee statement to object to the requested fees and expenses. Upon the expiration of such 14 day period, the Debtor is authorized to pay the Professional an amount of 80% of the fees and 100% of the expenses requested in the applicable monthly fee statement.**

<sup>1</sup> BlackBriar is holding \$10,322.55 as a retainer in its IOLTA Account which is included in this fee/expense request.

<sup>2</sup> The date listed for expenses contained in the attached does not necessarily reflect the date on which the expense was actually incurred by Applicant.

Pursuant to §§ 327, 330, 331 of title 11 of the United States Code (the “Bankruptcy Code”), Rule 2016 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the “Bankruptcy Rules”), Rule 2016-1 of the Bankruptcy Local Rules for the Southern District of Texas (the “Bankruptcy Local Rules”), and the *Order Granting Motion for Entry of an Order Establishing Procedures for Interim Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses for Retained Professionals* (the “Interim Compensation Order”) [Docket No. 106], BlackBriar Advisors, LLC (“BlackBriar”), as Financial Advisor to the Debtor, hereby files its *Third Monthly Fee Statement of BlackBriar Advisors, LLC for Allowance of Compensation for Services Rendered as Financial Advisor to the Debtor for the Period from February 1, 2023 through February 28, 2023* (the “Monthly Fee Statement”).

### **RELIEF REQUESTED**

1. By this Monthly Fee Statement, and pursuant to the Interim Compensation Order, BlackBriar seeks interim payment of \$102,740.00 (80% of 128,425.00) as compensation for professional services rendered to the Debtor during the period from February 1, 2023 through February 28, 2023 (the “Fee Period”); and reimbursement of actual and necessary expenses in the amount of \$6,114.96, for a total amount of \$108,854.96 to be paid upon expiration of the objection deadline barring any objections, pursuant to the Interim Compensation Order.

2. In support of the Monthly Fee Statement, BlackBriar submits a *Summary of Expenses for the Fee Period*, attached hereto as **Exhibit A**, a *Summary of Legal Fees by Category as Counsel for the Fee Period*, attached as **Exhibit B**, and a *Detailed Record of Fees as Financial Advisor for the Fee Period*, attached hereto as **Exhibit C**.

3. Pursuant to the Interim Compensation Order, any party objecting to the payment of the compensation and reimbursement of expenses requested herein shall serve on the undersigned counsel and the following Retained Professionals (as defined in the Interim Compensation Order),

and each of the other Notice Parties a written objection (the “Objection”) so that it is received on or before the Objection Deadline:

- a. Co-Counsel to Debtor, Jordan & Ortiz, P.C., 500 North Shoreline Blvd., Suite 900, Corpus Christi, TX 78401 (Attn: Shelby Jordan, [sjordan@jhwclaw.com](mailto:sjordan@jhwclaw.com))
- b. U.S. Trustee c/o Ha Minh Nguyen and Jayson Ruff, Office of the United States Trustee 515 Rusk St, Ste 3516 Houston, TX 77002, [ha.nguyen@usdoj.gov](mailto:ha.nguyen@usdoj.gov), [jayson.b.ruff@usdoj.gov](mailto:jayson.b.ruff@usdoj.gov)
- c. Proposed Counsel to the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors, Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP, One Bryant Park, New York, NY 10036 (Attn: David M. Zensky, Marty L. Brimmage, Jr., Sara L. Brauner and Melanie A. Miller; [dzensky@akingump.com](mailto:dzensky@akingump.com), [mbrimmage@akingump.com](mailto:mbrimmage@akingump.com), [sbrauner@akingump.com](mailto:sbrauner@akingump.com), [melanie.miller@akingump.com](mailto:melanie.miller@akingump.com)
- d. Counsel to Connecticut Plaintiffs, (a) Koskoff Koskoff & Bieder PC, 350 Fairfield Avenue, Bridgeport, CT 06604 (Attn: Alinor Sterling, [ASterling@koskoff.com](mailto:ASterling@koskoff.com)) and (b) Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP, 1285 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10019 (Attn: Kyle J. Kimpler and Martin Salvucci, [kkimpler@paulweiss.com](mailto:kkimpler@paulweiss.com), [msalvucci@paulweiss.com](mailto:msalvucci@paulweiss.com))
- e. Counsel to Texas Plaintiffs, (a) McDowell Hetherington LLP, 1001 Fannin Street, Suite 2700, Houston, TX 77002 (Attn: Avi Moshenberg, [avi.moshenberg@mhllp.com](mailto:avi.moshenberg@mhllp.com)) and (b) Chamberlain, Hrdlicka, White, Williams & Aughtry, PC, 1200 Smith Street, Suite 1400, Houston, TX 77002 (Attn: Jarrod B. Martin, [Jarrod.Martin@chamberlainlaw.com](mailto:Jarrod.Martin@chamberlainlaw.com))
- f. Any other parties that the Court may designate.

In light of the nature of the relief requested herein, BlackBriar submits that no further or other notice is required.

4. Although every effort has been made to include all fees and expenses incurred in the Fee Period, some fees and expenses might not be included in this Monthly Fee Statement due to delays caused by accounting and processing during the Fee Period. BlackBriar reserves the right to make further application to this Court for allowance of such fees and expenses not included

herein. Subsequent Monthly Fee Statements will be filed in accordance with the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, and the Interim Compensation Order.

5. Therefore, BlackBriar respectfully submits support for its fees in the amount of \$128,425.00 for reasonable, actual and necessary services rendered by it on behalf of the Debtor during the Fee Period and \$6,114.96.00 for reasonable, actual and necessary expenses incurred during the Fee Period. BlackBriar further submits that, pursuant to the Interim Compensation Order, and pending the expiration of the objection deadline, if no objections to the Fee Statement are received, that the Debtor shall be authorized to immediately pay to BlackBriar the amount of \$108,7854.96<sup>3</sup> which is equal to the sum of 80% of BlackBriar's fees and 100% of BlackBriar's expenses incurred during the Fee Period.

Houston, TX

Dated: March 31, 2023

**BLACKBRIAR ADVISORS, LLC**

By: /s/ Robert Schleizer

Robert Schleizer

2626 Cole Ave., Suite 300

Dallas, TX 75201

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**FINANCIAL ADVISORS FOR DEBTOR  
ALEXANDER E. JONES**

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<sup>3</sup> Such payment to be made first from any existing retainer funds held by BlackBriar for the Debtor.

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on March 31, 2023, a true and correct copy of the foregoing pleading was served upon the parties listed on the attached service list via the Court's ECF system and pursuant to Local Rule 9003-1, via e mail or U.S. mail as follows:

- a. Co-Counsel to Debtor, Jordan & Ortiz, P.C., 500 North Shoreline Blvd., Suite 900, Corpus Christi, TX 78401 (Attn: Shelby Jordan, [sjordan@jhwclaw.com](mailto:sjordan@jhwclaw.com))
- b. U.S. Trustee c/o Ha Minh Nguyen and Jayson ruff, Office of the United States Trustee 515 Rusk St, Ste 3516 Houston, TX 77002, [ha.nguyen@usdoj.gov](mailto:ha.nguyen@usdoj.gov), [jayson.b.ruff@usdoj.gov](mailto:jayson.b.ruff@usdoj.gov)
- c. Proposed Counsel to the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors, Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP, One Bryant Park, New York, NY 10036 (Attn: David M. Zensky, Marty L. Brimmage, Jr., Sara L. Brauner and Melanie A. Miller; [dzensky@akingump.com](mailto:dzensky@akingump.com), [mbrimmage@akingump.com](mailto:mbrimmage@akingump.com), [sbrauner@akingump.com](mailto:sbrauner@akingump.com), [melanie.miller@akingump.com](mailto:melanie.miller@akingump.com))
- d. Counsel to Connecticut Plaintiffs, (a) Koskoff Koskoff & Bieder PC, 350 Fairfield Avenue, Bridgeport, CT 06604 (Attn: Alinor Sterling, [ASterling@koskoff.com](mailto:ASterling@koskoff.com)) and (b) Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP, 1285 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10019 (Attn: Kyle J. Kimpler and Martin Salvucci, [kkimpler@paulweiss.com](mailto:kkimpler@paulweiss.com), [msalvucci@paulweiss.com](mailto:msalvucci@paulweiss.com))
- e. Counsel to Texas Plaintiffs, (a) McDowell Hetherington LLP, 1001 Fannin Street, Suite 2700, Houston, TX 77002 (Attn: Avi Moshenberg, [avi.moshenberg@mhlhp.com](mailto:avi.moshenberg@mhlhp.com)) and (b) Chamberlain, Hrdlicka, White, Williams & Aughtry, PC, 1200 Smith Street, Suite 1400, Houston, TX 77002 (Attn: Jarrod B. Martin, [Jarrod.Martin@chamberlainlaw.com](mailto:Jarrod.Martin@chamberlainlaw.com))
- f. Any other parties that the Court may designate.

/s/ Christina W. Stephenson

Christina W. Stephenson

**EXHIBIT “A”**

**SUMMARY OF EXPENSES FOR THE FEE PERIOD**

<b>EXPENSE</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
Airfare/Train	<b>\$1,727.60</b>
Mileage	<b>35.40</b>
Meals	<b>462.56</b>
Auto	<b>634.60</b>
Hotel	<b>3,022.25</b>
Other	<b>294.99</b>



## **EXHIBIT “B”**

### **SUMMARY OF FEES AND EXPENSES BY CATEGORY FOR THE FEE PERIOD**

<b><u>CATEGORIES</u></b>	<b><u>PROFESSIONAL TIME</u></b>
B110 Case Administration	190.8
B120 Asset Analysis and Recovery	25.8
B130 Asset Disposition	0.00
B140 Relief from Stay/Adequate Protection	0.00
B150 Meetings of & Communications with Creditors	0.00
B160 Fee/Employment Applications	0.00
B170 Fee/Employment Objections	0.00
B180 Avoidance Action Analysis	0.00
B185 Assumption/Rejection of Executory Contracts	0.00
B190 Other Contested Matters	0.00
B195 Non-Working Travel	30.00
B210 Business Operations	29.10
B220 Employee Benefits/Pensions	0.00
B230 Financing/Cash Collections	0.00
B240 Tax Issues	5.8
B250 Real Estate	0.00
B260 Board of Directors Matters	0.00
B310 Claims Administration and Objections	0.00
B320 Plan and Disclosure Statement	0.00
B410 General Bankruptcy Advice/Opinions	0.00
B420 Restructurings	0.00
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>281.5</b>

**EXHIBIT “C”**

**DETAILED RECORD OF FEES FOR THE FEE PERIOD**



**BLACK BRIAR**  
A D V I S O R S L L C

February 28, 2023

Alex E. Jones  
c/o Shelby A. Jordan  
**Jordan & Ortiz, P.C.**  
6207 Bee Cave Road, Suite 120  
Austin, TX 78746

Re: **Alexander E. Jones, Debtor In Possession**

Case No. 22-33553

Billing Period: **February 1 through February 28, 2023**  
Invoice No. **AJ0201-23**

**Professional Services**

**Rendered:**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Professional</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Task Code</u>
2/1/2023	HK	Worked on Sofa & schedules	4.70	\$ 2,350.00	B110
2/1/2023	KN	Closing issues month end- discussions with Sarah	2.00	800.00	B210
2/1/2023	KN	Prepare/revise transfers, Sofa	8.50	3,400.00	B110
2/1/2023	BS	Emails/calls tax issues 2021 and 2022	0.40	200.00	B240
2/1/2023	BS	Document requests FSS from counsel and CRO	0.30	150.00	B110
2/1/2023	BS	Expense approval procedures	0.20	100.00	B210
2/2/2023	HK	Calls BlackBriar & Attorney's transfers (1.2)	1.20	600.00	B110
2/2/2023	BS	Calls insider transfers, review schedule	0.50	250.00	B110
2/2/2023	HK	Review of transfer spreadsheet	2.10	1,050.00	B110
2/2/2023	HK	Reviewed & updated supplement settlement from FSS	0.70	350.00	B210
2/2/2023	KN	MOR, SOFA, discussions with Leslie, Sarah, bank recon, Quick Books	8.00	3,200.00	B110
2/3/2023	HK	Reviewed & updated ESG settlement from ESG	0.70	350.00	B210
2/3/2023	HK	Went back & updated all weeks for revised calculation	1.00	500.00	B210
2/3/2023	HK	PNC Debit card issues - DIP account	0.20	100.00	B210
2/3/2023	KN	MOR, Reconcile bank accounts; transfers	8.00	3,200.00	B110
2/4/2023	KN	MOR, Q Books, Transfers, SOFA	7.50	3,000.00	B110
2/6/2023	HK	Working meeting BlackBriar & attorney's to work on SOFA's & forecast	5.00	2,500.00	B110
2/6/2023	HK	Non working travel	3.00	750.00	B195
2/6/2023	BS	Budget preparation/ SOFA research	5.00	1,250.00	B110
2/6/2023	BS	Non working travel	3.00	750.00	B195
2/7/2023	HK	BlackBriar FSS to work on SOFA's & forecast/review with A. Jones	10.00	5,000.00	B110
2/7/2023	BS	BlackBriar FSS to work on SOFA's & forecast/review with A. Jones	7.50	3,750.00	B110
2/7/2023	BS	Banking - access to Security bank accounts	0.60	300.00	B210
2/7/2023	BS	Asset research - helicopter access; FSS advertising contracts; research asset values	0.50	250.00	B120
2/7/2023	BS	Asset research - Haarman - Mountain Way, ESG contract	0.80	400.00	B120
2/8/2023	HK	BlackBriar FSS to work on SOFA's & forecast/review with A. Jones	5.30	2,650.00	B110
2/8/2023	BS	BlackBriar FSS to work on SOFA's & forecast/review with A. Jones; research real estate deeds, etc Meeting at PNC w A. Jones and I. Nowkeator -PNC. Issues with checks and wires not clearing DIP	4.00	2,000.00	B110
2/8/2023	BS	account	0.90	450.00	B210
2/8/2023	HK	Non working travel	3.00	750.00	B195
2/8/2023	BS	Non working travel	3.00	750.00	B195
2/9/2023	HK	Calls BlackBriar & Attorney's Re SOFA's	1.00	500.00	B110
2/9/2023	HK	Worked on forecast & assumptions	3.00	1,500.00	B210
2/9/2023	HK	Updated supplement reconciliation for forecast	0.50	250.00	B210
2/9/2023	HK	Updated ESG supplement reconciliation for forecast	0.50	250.00	B210
2/9/2023	BS	Tax research; call with tax accountant re engagement; bitcoin, fixed assets	0.90	450.00	B240
2/9/2023	BS	Banking issues - DIP account;	0.20	100.00	B210
2/9/2023	BS	Research real estate ownership; title transfers;	0.50	250.00	B110
2/9/2023	BS	Review/finalize draft of budget	1.10	550.00	B210
2/10/2023	HK	Calls BlackBriar & Attorney's Re SOFA's	1.00	500.00	B110
2/10/2023	HK	Calls BlackBriar & Attorney's Re forecast	3.50	1,750.00	B210
2/10/2023	BS	follow up- dishonored DIP checks; access to account	0.80	400.00	B210
2/10/2023	BS	Calls BlackBriar & Attorney's Re SOFA's; final draft of schedules to attorney for input	1.60	800.00	B110
2/10/2023	BS	Calls BlackBriar & Attorney's Re forecast; teams call - Sarah re monthly expenses	4.20	2,100.00	B210
2/11/2023	HK	Reviewed final forecast	1.50	750.00	B110
2/11/2023	BS	SOFA - preparation of supporting schedules	1.20	600.00	B110
2/13/2023	HK	At FSS to work on SOFA & schedules	8.30	4,150.00	B110
2/13/2023	HK	Worked on 90 transfer schedule for SOFA	2.10	1,050.00	B110
2/13/2023	HK	Non working travel	3.00	750.00	B195

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2/13/2023	BS	SOFA - preparation of supporting schedules; priority claims and tranfers	2.50	1,250.00	B110
2/13/2023	BS	Identified Prosperity safe deposit box; research location and access; calls to bank; AJ	0.90	450.00	B120
2/13/2023	BS	Tax research; calls/emails with tax accountant and IT at FSS re bitcoin, fixed assets	0.70	175.00	B240
2/14/2023	HK	At FSS, reviewed & revised 90 day transfers for SOFA	1.10	550.00	B110
2/14/2023	HK	Worked on & Finalized SOFA	13.00	6,500.00	B110
2/14/2023	BS	Research priority claims; prepare schedule for Form 106	1.00	500.00	B110
		Research historical payroll, distributions; request past bank statements -Security Bank; calls			
2/14/2023	BS	Mountain Way A/R	1.40	700.00	B210
2/14/2023	BS	Review/revise global notes; update 106I & J supporting schedules	1.50	750.00	B110
2/15/2023	HK	Conversations regarding ESG & review of ESG contracts	1.70	850.00	B110
2/15/2023	HK	Worked on SOFA & schedules	13.50	6,750.00	B110
		Review ESG contracts, settlements and outstanding ammounts due. Send wire instructionns to ESG;			
2/15/2023	BS	calls re outstanding payables	0.90	450.00	B210
2/16/2023	HK	Call BlackBriar & attorney's document production call	0.50	250.00	B110
2/16/2023	HK	Worked on unknowns on SOFA and schedules	1.00	500.00	B110
2/16/2023	HK	Updated supplement reconciliation for forecast	0.50	250.00	B210
2/16/2023	HK	Updated ESG supplement reconciliation for forecast	0.50	250.00	B210
2/16/2023	HK	Worked on SOFA updates	3.50	1,750.00	B110
2/16/2023	BS	Call BlackBriar & attorney's document production call	0.50	250.00	B110
2/16/2023	BS	Reconcile a/r for ESG and wire	0.30	150.00	B210
2/16/2023	BS	Research prepaid helicopter payment and usage. Discussion with AJ	0.60	300.00	B120
2/17/2023	HK	Calls into estate sales & appraisal companies	0.70	350.00	B120
2/17/2023	HK	Worked on updating SOFA & schedules	5.80	2,900.00	B110
2/20/2023	HK	Worked on January MOR	1.70	850.00	B110
2/20/2023	HK	Call with BlackBriar & attorney update	0.30	150.00	B110
2/20/2023	BS	Call - Haarman wire; update dropbox;	0.20	100.00	B210
2/20/2023	BS	Call with BlackBriar & attorney update	0.30	150.00	B110
2/21/2023	HK	Worked on reconciling December MOR to SOFA	2.00	1,000.00	B110
2/21/2023	HK	At FSS meeting with A. Jones & worked on MOR	6.00	3,000.00	B110
2/21/2023	HK	Non working travel	3.00	750.00	B195
2/21/2023	HK	Amend Dec MOR; review/revise Jan 2023 MOR	3.10	1,550.00	B110
2/21/2023	BS	Non working travel	3.00	750.00	B195
2/21/2023	BS	Meeting with A. Jones, BlackBriar	2.00	1,000.00	B110
		Banking issues; review disbursements comparing to forecast; accounting issues- classification of			
2/21/2023	BS	assets, liabilities and expenses; calls - Mountain Way re billings and amounts due Jones	1.10	550.00	B210
2/21/2023	BS	Tax issues - bitcoin sales; call with tax attorney; tracing contributions to FSS	1.80	900.00	B240
2/22/2023	HK	At FSS working on updating SOFA & schedules	12.70	6,350.00	B110
2/22/2023	BS	Tax issues - bitcoin sales; call with tax accountant; tracing contributions to FSS	2.00	1,000.00	B240
2/22/2023	BS	Research asset values for SOFA and MOR; meet with D. Jones	1.30	650.00	B120
2/22/2023	BS	Work on SOFA schedules; asset identification and valuations	4.00	2,000.00	B110
2/23/2023	HK	At FSS - prep with A. Jones for telephonic Meeting of Creditors	1.00	500.00	B110
2/23/2023	HK	Telephonic Meeting of Creditors	2.60	1,300.00	B110
2/23/2023	HK	Meeting P. MaGill - FSS CRO	0.50	250.00	B210
2/23/2023	HK	Worked revising SOFA & schedules	4.00	2,000.00	B110
2/23/2023	HK	Non working travel	3.00	750.00	B195
2/23/2023	BS	Meeting P. MaGill - FSS CRO	0.50	250.00	B110
2/23/2023	BS	At FSS - prep with A. Jones for telephonic Meeting of Creditors	1.00	500.00	B110
2/23/2023	BS	Telephonic Meeting of Creditors	2.60	1,300.00	B210
2/23/2023	BS	Non working travel	3.00	750.00	B195
2/24/2023	HK	Call with Jayson B. Ruff, USTP & follow-up call with BlackBriar & attorney's	1.50	750.00	B110
2/24/2023	HK	Call with J. Dalessio & V. Driver	1.00	500.00	B210
2/24/2023	HK	Reviewed & started tracing crypto funds	3.00	1,500.00	B120
2/24/2023	BS	Call with Jayson B. Ruff, USTP & follow-up call with BlackBriar & attorney's	1.50	750.00	B110
2/25/2023	HK	Reviewed FSS final forecast & sent questions	2.00	1,000.00	B110
2/27/2023	HK	Worked on SOFA & schedules	4.20	2,100.00	B110
2/28/2023	HK	At FSS; visited Ranch & storage units	9.00	4,500.00	B120
2/28/2023	HK	Non working travel	3.00	750.00	B195
2/28/2023	BS	At FSS; visited Ranch & storage units	9.00	4,500.00	B120

**281.50 \$ 128,425.00**

Total hours for Robert Schleizer (BS) 80.80 \$ 35,975.00

Total hours for Harold Kessler (HK) 166.70 78,850.00

Total hours for Kathy Norderhaug (KN) 34.00 13,600.00

**281.50 \$ 128,425.00**

**Expenses**

From attached expense breakdown \$ 6,114.96

**Total Invoice Amount \$ 134,539.96**

Re: Alexander E. Jones, Debtor In Possession Case No. 22-33553

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BlackBriar Advisors LLC  
2626 Cole Ave., Suite 300  
Dallas, TX 75204

**EXHIBIT “D”**

**Fourth Monthly Fee Statement**

**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
HOUSTON DIVISION**

IN RE	)	
	)	
ALEXANDER E. JONES	)	CASE No. 22-33553
	)	
DEBTOR.	)	(CHAPTER 11)
	)	
	)	JUDGE CHRISTOPHER M. LOPEZ

**FOURTH MONTHLY FEE STATEMENT OF BLACKBRIAR ADVISORS, LLC FOR  
ALLOWANCE OF COMPENSATION FOR SERVICES RENDERED AS  
FINANCIAL ADVISOR TO THE DEBTOR FOR THE PERIOD FROM  
MARCH 1, 2023 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2023**

<b>Name of Applicant:</b>	BlackBriar Advisors, LLC	
<b>Applicant’s Role in Case:</b>	Financial Advisor	
<b>Date Order of Appointment Signed:</b>	January 20, 2023 (Dkt #112)	
	<b>Beginning of Period</b>	<b>End of Period</b>
<b>Time Period Covered in Statement:</b>	03/01/2023	03/31/2023
<b>Summary of Total Fees and Expenses Requested</b>		
<b>Total Fees Requested in this Statement:</b>		\$169,340.00 <sup>1</sup> (80% of \$211,675.00)
<b>Total Reimbursable Expenses Requested in this Statement:</b>		\$8,307.85 <sup>2</sup>
<b>Summary of Fees for the Period Covered by this Statement</b>		
<b>Professional Fees in this Statement:</b>		\$211,675.00
<b>Total Actual Professional Hours Covered by this Statement:</b>		473.0
<b>Average Hourly Rate for Professionals:</b>		\$447.50

**In accordance with the *Order Granting Motion for Entry of an Order Establishing Procedures for Interim Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses for Chapter 11 Professionals* [Docket No. #106], each party receiving notice of the monthly fee statement will have 14 days after service of the monthly fee statement to object to the requested fees and expenses. Upon the expiration of such 14 day period, the Debtor is authorized to pay the Professional an amount of 80% of the fees and 100% of the expenses requested in the applicable monthly fee statement.**

<sup>1</sup> BlackBriar is holding \$-0- funds as a retainer in its trust account..

<sup>2</sup> The date listed for expenses contained in the attached does not necessarily reflect the date on which the expense was actually incurred by Applicant.

Pursuant to §§ 327, 330, 331 of title 11 of the United States Code (the “Bankruptcy Code”), Rule 2016 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the “Bankruptcy Rules”), Rule 2016-1 of the Bankruptcy Local Rules for the Southern District of Texas (the “Bankruptcy Local Rules”), and the *Order Granting Motion for Entry of an Order Establishing Procedures for Interim Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses for Retained Professionals* (the “Interim Compensation Order”) [Docket No. 106], BlackBriar Advisors, LLC (“BlackBriar”), as Financial Advisor to the Debtor, hereby files its *Fourth Monthly Fee Statement of BlackBriar Advisors, LLC for Allowance of Compensation for Services Rendered as Financial Advisor to the Debtor for the Period from March 1, 2023 through March 31, 2023* (the “Monthly Fee Statement”).

### **RELIEF REQUESTED**

1. By this Monthly Fee Statement, and pursuant to the Interim Compensation Order, BlackBriar seeks interim payment of \$169,340.00 (80% of 211,675.00) as compensation for professional services rendered to the Debtor during the period from March 1, 2023 through March 31, 2023 (the “Fee Period”); and reimbursement of actual and necessary expenses in the amount of \$8,307.85, for a total amount of \$177,647.85 to be paid upon expiration of the objection deadline barring any objections, pursuant to the Interim Compensation Order.

2. In support of the Monthly Fee Statement, BlackBriar submits a *Summary of Expenses for the Fee Period*, attached hereto as **Exhibit A**, a *Summary of Legal Fees by Category as Counsel for the Fee Period*, attached as **Exhibit B**, and a *Detailed Record of Fees as Financial Advisor for the Fee Period*, attached hereto as **Exhibit C**.

3. Pursuant to the Interim Compensation Order, any party objecting to the payment of the compensation and reimbursement of expenses requested herein shall serve on the undersigned counsel and the following Retained Professionals (as defined in the Interim Compensation Order),



and each of the other Notice Parties a written objection (the “Objection”) so that it is received on or before the Objection Deadline:

- a. Co-Counsel to Debtor, Jordan & Ortiz, P.C., 500 North Shoreline Blvd., Suite 900, Corpus Christi, TX 78401 (Attn: Shelby Jordan, [sjordan@jhwclaw.com](mailto:sjordan@jhwclaw.com))
- b. U.S. Trustee c/o Ha Minh Nguyen and Jayson Ruff, Office of the United States Trustee 515 Rusk St, Ste 3516 Houston, TX 77002, [ha.nguyen@usdoj.gov](mailto:ha.nguyen@usdoj.gov), [jayson.b.ruff@usdoj.gov](mailto:jayson.b.ruff@usdoj.gov)
- c. Proposed Counsel to the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors, Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP, One Bryant Park, New York, NY 10036 (Attn: David M. Zensky, Marty L. Brimmage, Jr., Sara L. Brauner and Melanie A. Miller; [dzensky@akingump.com](mailto:dzensky@akingump.com), [mbrimmage@akingump.com](mailto:mbrimmage@akingump.com), [sbrauner@akingump.com](mailto:sbrauner@akingump.com), [melanie.miller@akingump.com](mailto:melanie.miller@akingump.com)
- d. Counsel to Connecticut Plaintiffs, (a) Koskoff Koskoff & Bieder PC, 350 Fairfield Avenue, Bridgeport, CT 06604 (Attn: Alinor Sterling, [ASterling@koskoff.com](mailto:ASterling@koskoff.com)) and (b) Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP, 1285 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10019 (Attn: Kyle J. Kimpler and Martin Salvucci, [kkimpler@paulweiss.com](mailto:kkimpler@paulweiss.com), [msalvucci@paulweiss.com](mailto:msalvucci@paulweiss.com))
- e. Counsel to Texas Plaintiffs, (a) McDowell Hetherington LLP, 1001 Fannin Street, Suite 2700, Houston, TX 77002 (Attn: Avi Moshenberg, [avi.moshenberg@mhllp.com](mailto:avi.moshenberg@mhllp.com)) and (b) Chamberlain, Hrdlicka, White, Williams & Aughtry, PC, 1200 Smith Street, Suite 1400, Houston, TX 77002 (Attn: Jarrod B. Martin, [Jarrod.Martin@chamberlainlaw.com](mailto:Jarrod.Martin@chamberlainlaw.com))
- f. Any other parties that the Court may designate.

In light of the nature of the relief requested herein, BlackBriar submits that no further or other notice is required.

4. Although every effort has been made to include all fees and expenses incurred in the Fee Period, some fees and expenses might not be included in this Monthly Fee Statement due to delays caused by accounting and processing during the Fee Period. BlackBriar reserves the right to make further application to this Court for allowance of such fees and expenses not included

herein. Subsequent Monthly Fee Statements will be filed in accordance with the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, and the Interim Compensation Order.

5. Therefore, BlackBriar respectfully submits support for its fees in the amount of \$211,675.00 for reasonable, actual and necessary services rendered by it on behalf of the Debtor during the Fee Period and \$8,307.85 for reasonable, actual and necessary expenses incurred during the Fee Period. BlackBriar further submits that, pursuant to the Interim Compensation Order, and pending the expiration of the objection deadline, if no objections to the Fee Statement are received, that the Debtor shall be authorized to immediately pay to BlackBriar the amount of \$177,647.00<sup>3</sup> which is equal to the sum of 80% of BlackBriar's fees and 100% of BlackBriar's expenses incurred during the Fee Period.

Houston, TX  
Dated: April 30, 2023

**BLACKBRIAR ADVISORS, LLC**

By: /s/ Robert Schleizer  
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**FINANCIAL ADVISORS FOR DEBTOR  
ALEXANDER E. JONES**

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<sup>3</sup> Such payment to be made first from any existing retainer funds held by BlackBriar for the Debtor.  
**FOURTH MONTHLY FEE STATEMENT OF BLACKBRIAR ADVISORS, LLC – Page 4**

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on April 30, 2023, a true and correct copy of the foregoing pleading was served upon the parties listed on the attached service list via the Court's ECF system and pursuant to Local Rule 9003-1, via e mail or U.S. mail as follows:

- a. Co-Counsel to Debtor, Jordan & Ortiz, P.C., 500 North Shoreline Blvd., Suite 900, Corpus Christi, TX 78401 (Attn: Shelby Jordan, [sjordan@jhwclaw.com](mailto:sjordan@jhwclaw.com))
- b. U.S. Trustee c/o Ha Minh Nguyen and Jayson ruff, Office of the United States Trustee 515 Rusk St, Ste 3516 Houston, TX 77002, [ha.nguyen@usdoj.gov](mailto:ha.nguyen@usdoj.gov), [jayson.b.ruff@usdoj.gov](mailto:jayson.b.ruff@usdoj.gov)
- c. Proposed Counsel to the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors, Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP, One Bryant Park, New York, NY 10036 (Attn: David M. Zensky, Marty L. Brimmage, Jr., Sara L. Brauner and Melanie A. Miller; [dzensky@akingump.com](mailto:dzensky@akingump.com), [mbrimmage@akingump.com](mailto:mbrimmage@akingump.com), [sbrauner@akingump.com](mailto:sbrauner@akingump.com), [melanie.miller@akingump.com](mailto:melanie.miller@akingump.com)
- d. Counsel to Connecticut Plaintiffs, (a) Koskoff Koskoff & Bieder PC, 350 Fairfield Avenue, Bridgeport, CT 06604 (Attn: Alinor Sterling, [ASterling@koskoff.com](mailto:ASterling@koskoff.com)) and (b) Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP, 1285 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10019 (Attn: Kyle J. Kimpler and Martin Salvucci, [kkimpler@paulweiss.com](mailto:kkimpler@paulweiss.com), [msalvucci@paulweiss.com](mailto:msalvucci@paulweiss.com))
- e. Counsel to Texas Plaintiffs, (a) McDowell Hetherington LLP, 1001 Fannin Street, Suite 2700, Houston, TX 77002 (Attn: Avi Moshenberg, [avi.moshenberg@mhlhp.com](mailto:avi.moshenberg@mhlhp.com)) and (b) Chamberlain, Hrdlicka, White, Williams & Aughtry, PC, 1200 Smith Street, Suite 1400, Houston, TX 77002 (Attn: Jarrod B. Martin, [Jarrod.Martin@chamberlainlaw.com](mailto:Jarrod.Martin@chamberlainlaw.com))
- f. Any other parties that the Court may designate.

/s/ Christina W. Stephenson

Christina W. Stephenson

**EXHIBIT “A”**

**SUMMARY OF EXPENSES FOR THE FEE PERIOD**

<b>EXPENSE</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
Airfare/Train	<b>\$1,488.66</b>
Mileage	<b>23.60</b>
Meals	<b>918.48</b>
Auto	<b>1,227.75</b>
Hotel	<b>5,128.22</b>
Other	<b>48.00</b>

**EXHIBIT “B”****SUMMARY OF FEES AND EXPENSES BY CATEGORY  
FOR THE FEE PERIOD**

<b><u>CATEGORIES</u></b>	<b><u>PROFESSIONAL TIME</u></b>
B110 Case Administration	308.58
B120 Asset Analysis and Recovery	28.50
B130 Asset Disposition	0.00
B140 Relief from Stay/Adequate Protection	.70
B150 Meetings of & Communications with Creditors	2.90
B160 Fee/Employment Applications	3.60
B170 Fee/Employment Objections	0.00
B180 Avoidance Action Analysis	0.00
B185 Assumption/Rejection of Executory Contracts	0.00
B190 Other Contested Matters	0.00
B195 Non-Working Travel	44.80
B210 Business Operations	71.52
B220 Employee Benefits/Pensions	0.00
B230 Financing/Cash Collections	3.30
B240 Tax Issues	9.10
B250 Real Estate	0.00
B260 Board of Directors Matters	0.00
B310 Claims Administration and Objections	0.00
B320 Plan and Disclosure Statement	0.00
B410 General Bankruptcy Advice/Opinions	0.00
B420 Restructurings	0.00
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>473.0</b>

**EXHIBIT “C”**

**DETAILED RECORD OF FEES FOR THE FEE PERIOD**



# BLACK BRIAR

ADVISORS LLC

March 31, 2023

Alex E. Jones  
c/o Shelby A. Jordan  
**Jordan & Ortiz, P.C.**  
6207 Bee Cave Road, Suite 120  
Austin, TX 78746

Re: **Alexander E. Jones, Debtor In Possession**

Case No. 22-33553

Billing Period: **March 1 through March 31, 2023**

Invoice No. **AJ0301-23**

## Professional Services

### Rendered:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Professional</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Task Code</u>
3/1/2023	BS	BlackBriar & attorneys all day meeting to go over SOFA & schedules	5.00	2,500.00	B110
3/1/2023	BS	Fee App Preparation and Review	1.20	600.00	B160
3/1/2023	BS	Call J. Haarman Mountain Way	0.20	100.00	B210
3/1/2023	BS	Call R. Kennerley re: IRS claim ; correspondence IRS claim	0.30	150.00	B240
3/1/2023	BS	Non-working travel	3.00	750.00	B195
3/1/2023	HK	BlackBriar & attorneys all day meeting to go over SOFA & schedules	6.50	3,250.00	B110
3/1/2023	KN	Meet with V Driver, B Schleizer, H Kessler;	2.50	1,000.00	B110
3/1/2023	KN	update QB financials	2.00	800.00	B210
3/2/2023	BS	Fee App Preparation and Review	0.40	200.00	B160
3/2/2023	HK	Worked on FSS settlement reconciliation & ESG settlement reconciliation and updated forecast	1.50	750.00	B230
3/2/2023	HK	Worked on SOFA & schedules	3.08	1,540.00	B110
3/3/2023	BS	Calls with BlackBriar & attorneys & S. Lemmon	0.50	250.00	B110
3/3/2023	BS	BlackBriar conference call with Teneo & Nardello	1.00	500.00	B110
3/3/2023	BS	Update call with BlackBriar & attorney	0.50	250.00	B110
3/3/2023	BS	Internal update call regarding C. Cicack	0.30	150.00	B210
3/3/2023	BS	Review FSS Bankruptcy plan	2.10	1,050.00	B110
3/3/2023	BS	Personal Asset appraiser- Engage and pay	0.80	400.00	B120
3/3/2023	HK	Calls with BlackBriar & attorneys & S. Lemmon	0.50	250.00	B110
3/3/2023	HK	BlackBriar conference call with Teneo & Nardello	1.00	500.00	B110
3/3/2023	HK	Update call with BlackBriar & attorney	0.50	250.00	B110
3/3/2023	HK	Internal update call regarding C. Cicack	0.30	150.00	B210
3/3/2023	HK	Updated Task List	0.70	350.00	B110
3/3/2023	HK	Reviewed Akin Gump's Notice of The Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors Bankruptcy Rule			
3/3/2023	HK	2004 Examination of Alex Jones Re: Alex-Jones-Live, 1776coin or Patriot Collectibles	1.00	500.00	B110
3/3/2023	HK	Worked on SOFA & schedules	1.70	850.00	B110
3/3/2023	KN	Consult with QB regarding QB reconciliations; update QB	5.00	2,000.00	B210
3/4/2023	KN	Update QB, reconcile bank account	6.50	2,600.00	B210
3/5/2023	KN	Reconcile bank accounts	5.00	2,000.00	B210
3/6/2023	BS	Accounts payable; custody attorney	0.40	200.00	B210
3/6/2023	HK	Updated ESG sales reconciliation	0.30	150.00	B230
3/6/2023	HK	Worked on SOFA & schedules	6.00	3,000.00	B110
3/6/2023	KN	Reconcile bank account; found bank error; updated QB	6.00	2,400.00	B210
3/7/2023	BS	At FSS; meeting with A. Jones discuss ESG, operations of FSS; J. Haarman ; custody issues and	1.00	500.00	B210
3/7/2023	BS	Storage unit inspections	3.00	1,500.00	B120
3/7/2023	BS	Banking issues - denied transactions DIP account; trip to PNC	0.50	250.00	B210
3/7/2023	BS	Meeting with R. Reeves Re: Youngivity	0.50	250.00	B210
3/7/2023	BS	Bitcoin reconciliation and research	1.50	750.00	B210
3/7/2023	BS	Worked on SOFA & schedules	2.00	1,000.00	B110
3/7/2023	BS	IRS Bk claim; call with R. Kennerly	0.20	100.00	B240
3/7/2023	BS	Information to UCC FA; update notes from meeting	0.90	450.00	B150
3/7/2023	BS	Non-working travel	3.00	750.00	B195
3/7/2023	HK	At FSS; meeting with A. Jones	1.00	500.00	B210
3/7/2023	HK	Meeting with R. Reeves Re: Youngivity	0.50	250.00	B120
3/7/2023	HK	Worked on SOFA & schedules	6.00	3,000.00	B110
3/7/2023	HK	Non-working travel	3.00	750.00	B195
3/7/2023	KN	QB; update transactions	3.50	1,400.00	B210
3/8/2023	BS	Meeting with PQPR attorney	0.80	400.00	B120
3/8/2023	BS	Banking issues - denied transactions DIP account; research Tahoe ownership	0.60	300.00	B210
3/8/2023	BS	Calls/Email w R. Kennerly various tax issues	0.90	450.00	B240
3/8/2023	BS	Follow up - Cicak re contracts	0.30	150.00	B120
3/8/2023	BS	Calls/Email wt. Bennett re bitcoin basis	0.30	150.00	B240

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3/8/2023	BS	Non-working travel	3.00	750.00	B195
3/8/2023	HK	At FSS - worked on updating SOFA & schedules; research payments - call w D. Jones	5.50	2,750.00	B110
3/8/2023	HK	Meeting with PQPR attorney	0.80	400.00	B120
3/8/2023	HK	Call with Tyler Wolfe	0.30	150.00	B120
3/8/2023	KN	QB; Banking issues	3.00	1,200.00	B210
3/9/2023	HK	At FSS - worked on updating SOFA & schedules	4.00	2,000.00	B110
3/9/2023	HK	Visited storage units with company appraising household goods	2.50	1,250.00	B120
3/9/2023	HK	Meeting with Sub-chapter 5 trustee and attorney	2.10	1,050.00	B110
3/9/2023	HK	Meeting with P. Magill of FSS	1.02	510.00	B210
3/10/2023	BS	Engagement planning	0.50	250.00	B110
3/10/2023	HK	Schedule agenda next week	0.50	250.00	B110
3/10/2023	HK	Worked on SOFA & schedules	4.50	2,250.00	B110
3/10/2023	HK	Non-working travel	3.00	750.00	B195
		Worked on financial reconciliations from exhibit's 7 & 8 answer to Interrogatory Regarding Net			
3/12/2023	HK	Worth for AJ & FSS	1.50	750.00	B110
3/13/2023	BS	Accounting issues; bitcoin research; accounts payable	3.50	1,750.00	B210
3/13/2023	HK	Non-working travel	3.00	750.00	B195
3/13/2023	HK	At FSS working on SOFA and schedules	8.50	4,250.00	B110
3/13/2023	KN	QB bank reconciliations	5.00	2,000.00	B210
3/14/2023	BS	Work with personal asset appraisal issues	0.70	350.00	B120
3/14/2023	BS	Calls/Email w T. Bennett re bitcoin basis; correspondence with R. Kennerly - tax return status	0.50	250.00	B240
3/14/2023	BS	Non-working travel	3.00	750.00	B195
3/14/2023	BS	At FSS working on SOFA and schedules	5.00	2,500.00	B110
3/14/2023	BS	Research and interview multiple asset search firms	2.60	1,300.00	B120
3/14/2023	HK	At FSS working on SOFA and schedules	10.00	5,000.00	B110
3/14/2023	KN	QB- MOR reconciliation	4.00	1,600.00	B210
3/15/2023	BS	Work with personal asset appraisal issues	0.40	200.00	B120
3/15/2023	BS	Communications with Asset Search firms; engage JSG. Provide information to initiate search	3.00	1,500.00	B120
3/15/2023	BS	Inspect/research values - personal assets located at FSS office; send information to appraiser	2.50	1,250.00	B120
3/15/2023	BS	Non-working travel	3.00	750.00	B195
3/15/2023	BS	At FSS working on SOFA and schedules	7.20	3,600.00	B110
3/15/2023	HK	At FSS working on SOFA and schedules	14.50	7,250.00	B110
3/15/2023	KN	SOFA instructions with Elisa; QB entries	4.00	1,600.00	B110
3/16/2023	BS	Meet with A. Jones- operations and asset identification issues; discuss contracts/revenue	0.90	450.00	B210
3/16/2023	BS	Cash flow management; accounting' accounts payable	2.30	1,150.00	B210
3/16/2023	BS	call re: cryogenic valuation w manufacturer; information to appraiser	1.50	750.00	B120
3/16/2023	BS	SOFA and schedules	1.40	700.00	B110
3/16/2023	BS	Non-working travel	3.00	750.00	B195
3/16/2023	HK	At FSS working on SOFA and schedules	7.00	3,500.00	B110
3/16/2023	HK	Non-working travel	3.00	750.00	B195
3/16/2023	KN	Discussions with QB regarding pre petition entries; bank recon; MOR	4.50	1,800.00	B210
3/17/2023	BS	SOFA and schedules; calls/emails research follow-up	2.20	1,100.00	B110
3/17/2023	BS	Calls/emails - JSG Asset search information	0.90	450.00	B120
3/17/2023	BS	SOFA and schedules;	1.40	700.00	B110
3/17/2023	BS	SOFA and schedules;	1.40	700.00	B110
3/17/2023	HK	Conference - attorney's office working on SOFA and schedules	6.50	3,250.00	B110
3/17/2023	KN	MOR	2.00	800.00	B110
3/19/2023	BS	Follow up - bitcoin/tax return status	0.70	350.00	B140
3/19/2023	BS	Review Feb financials	0.80	400.00	B210
3/19/2023	BS	Emails/research assets for SOFA meeting	1.50	750.00	B110
3/20/2023	BS	Worked on SOFA schedules with attorney & BlackBriar	6.50	3,250.00	B110
3/20/2023	BS	Research Mountain Way billings; reconcile to bank deposits	1.30	650.00	B120
3/20/2023	BS	Calls/emails - JSG Asset search information	0.50	250.00	B120
3/20/2023	HK	Worked on SOFA schedules with attorney & BlackBriar	8.00	4,000.00	B110
3/20/2023	HK	FSS & ESG sales reconciliation	1.00	500.00	B230
3/20/2023	KN	Meet with Bob, Harold, Vickie re SOFA	7.50	3,000.00	B110



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3/21/2023	BS	Worked on SOFA schedules with attorney & BlackBriar	7.70	3,850.00	B110
3/21/2023	BS	Conversation FSS, BlackBriar and attorneys	0.50	250.00	B110
3/21/2023	BS	Work with personal asset appraisal issues	0.30	150.00	B120
3/21/2023	BS	Research/Information to JSG- asset search firm	0.40	200.00	B120
3/21/2023	HK	Worked on SOFA schedules with attorneys & BlackBriar	10.50	5,250.00	B110
3/21/2023	HK	Conversation FSS, BlackBriar and attorneys	0.50	250.00	B110
3/21/2023	KN	Meet with Bob, Harold, Vickie re SOFA	7.50	3,000.00	B110
3/22/2023	BS	Non-working travel - drive to Lufkin	2.80	700.00	B195
3/22/2023	BS	Meeting with R. Kennerly - AEJ 2021 taxes; calls w D. Jones; M Flores - PQPR; M. Schwarz;	3.10	775.00	B240
3/22/2023	HK	Worked on SOFA schedules	7.50	3,750.00	B110
3/22/2023	HK	Worked on SOFA schedules	7.50	3,750.00	B110
3/22/2023	KN	Update Feb MOR- QB entries; unclaimed property	5.00	2,000.00	B110
3/23/2023	BS	Tax issue follow up; calls emails, research; review return draft	2.00	500.00	B240
3/23/2023	BS	Worked on SOFA schedules with attorneys & BlackBriar	5.50	2,750.00	B110
3/23/2023	HK	Worked on FSS settlement reconciliation	0.50	250.00	B230
3/23/2023	HK	Worked on SOFA schedules with attorneys & BlackBriar	7.50	3,750.00	B110
3/23/2023	KN	Update Feb accounting and MOR; Discussions with David regarding transfers	3.50	1,400.00	B210
3/24/2023	BS	Non-working travel	6.00	1,500.00	B195
3/24/2023	BS	Inspect Prosperity safe deposit box	0.90	225.00	B120
3/24/2023	BS	On-site - operations/accounting/cash management/pnc - trip to PNC bank w AEJ	2.00	500.00	B210
3/24/2023	BS	Tax return information to R. Kennerly	0.50	125.00	B240
3/24/2023	BS	Worked on SOFA schedules with attorneys & BlackBriar	1.60	800.00	B110
3/24/2023	HK	Worked on SOFA schedules with attorneys & BlackBriar	10.00	5,000.00	B110
3/24/2023	HK	Call with UCC attorney	0.80	400.00	B150
3/24/2023	KN	Discussions with David, Leslie, Sarah, update financials	5.50	2,200.00	B210
3/25/2023	HK	Separated out household goods appraisal from Home & Lakehouse	0.70	350.00	B120
3/25/2023	HK	Worked on SOFA schedules	1.40	700.00	B110
3/27/2023	BS	Tax return information to R. Kennerly; Youngevity; emails/calls	0.80	200.00	B240
3/27/2023	BS	Calls/emails - JSG Asset search information	0.20	50.00	B120
3/27/2023	BS	Work on Mountain Way payment to FSS; calls emails w J. Shulse-FSS	1.50	375.00	B120
3/27/2023	BS	At attorney's office working on SOFA and schedules	7.00	3,500.00	B110
3/27/2023	HK	At attorney's office working on SOFA and schedules	10.50	5,250.00	B110
3/27/2023	KN	SOFA; meeting with Bob, Harold, Vickie	7.00	2,800.00	B110
3/28/2023	BS	At attorney's office working on SOFA and schedules	4.00	2,000.00	B110
3/28/2023	BS	Tax return information to R. Kennerly; Youngevity; emails/calls	0.50	125.00	B240
3/28/2023	BS	Fee App and billing review	1.50	750.00	B160
3/28/2023	BS	Calls/emails - JSG Asset search information	0.40	100.00	B120
3/28/2023	HK	At attorney's office working on SOFA and schedules	11.00	5,500.00	B110
3/28/2023	KN	MOR update; SOFA update	6.00	2,400.00	B110
3/29/2023	BS	Non-working travel	3.00	750.00	B195
3/29/2023	BS	At attorney's office working on SOFA and schedules	3.00	1,500.00	B110
3/29/2023	BS	Tax return to UST	0.20	100.00	B110
3/29/2023	BS	Research assets on JSG report	1.50	750.00	B120
3/29/2023	HK	At attorney's office working on SOFA and schedules	7.00	3,500.00	B110
3/29/2023	KN	SOFA budget update; Feb MOR update	7.50	3,000.00	B110
3/30/2023	BS	At FSS- banking - trip to pnc w A Jones; accounting/cash management	1.20	600.00	B210
3/30/2023	BS	FSS hearing	1.10	550.00	B110
3/30/2023	BS	Fee App and billing review	0.50	250.00	B160
3/30/2023	BS	Research assets on JSG report	0.20	100.00	B120
3/30/2023	BS	Review global notes - SOFA	0.60	300.00	B110
3/30/2023	BS	SOFA budget update; Feb MOR update	1.00	500.00	B110
3/30/2023	BS	Continued Telephonic Meeting of the Creditors	0.60	300.00	B150
3/30/2023	BS	Non-working travel	3.00	750.00	B195
3/30/2023	HK	Working on finalizing SOFA & schedules	8.00	4,000.00	B110
3/30/2023	HK	Continued Telephonic Meeting of the Creditors	0.60	300.00	B150
3/30/2023	KN	Compare SOFA/MOR; update March MOR; listen to hearing	4.00	1,600.00	B110
3/31/2023	HK	Working on finalizing SOFA & schedules	4.20	2,100.00	B110
			<b>473.00</b>	<b>\$ 211,675.00</b>	

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Total hours for Robert Schleizer (BS)	157.50	\$ 67,575.00
Total hours for Harold Kessler (HK)	209.00	101,500.00
Total hours for Kathy Norderhaug (KN)	106.50	42,600.00
	<u>473.00</u>	<u>\$ 211,675.00</u>

Expenses

From attached expense breakdown	\$ 8,307.85
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Total <u>Expenses</u>	<u>\$ 8,307.85</u>
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Total Invoice Amount	<u><u>\$ 219,982.85</u></u>
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 2626 Cole Ave., Suite 300  
 Dallas, TX 75204

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Airfare/Train</u>	<u>Mileage</u>	<u>Meals</u>	<u>Auto</u>	<u>Hotel</u>	<u>Other</u>	<u>Total</u>
1-Mar	-	-	-	369.79	226.98	-	596.77
2-Mar	337.80	-	-	-	-	24.00	361.80
3-Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
4-Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5-Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
6-Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7-Mar	129.00	5.90	146.43	-	347.49	-	628.82
8-Mar	-	-	222.63	-	-	-	222.63
9-Mar	129.00	5.90	19.11	18.89	1,114.76	-	1,287.66
10-Mar	-	-	-	443.46	-	-	443.46
11-Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
12-Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
13-Mar	466.80	5.90	156.06	14.63	-	-	643.39
14-Mar	-	-	34.42	-	-	-	34.42
15-Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-Mar	129.00	5.90	43.41	-	2,060.66	-	1,712.11
17-Mar	-	-	-	-	1,378.33	24.00	1,402.33
18-Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
19-Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
20-Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
21-Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
22-Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
23-Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
24-Mar	-	-	-	355.98	-	-	355.98
25-Mar	-	-	63.00	-	-	-	63.00
26-Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
27-Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
28-Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
29-Mar	297.06	-	233.42	-	-	-	530.48
30-Mar	-	-	-	25.00	-	-	25.00
31-Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,488.66</b>	<b>\$ 23.60</b>	<b>\$ 918.48</b>	<b>\$ 1,227.75</b>	<b>\$ 5,128.22</b>	<b>\$ 48.00</b>	<b>\$ 8,307.85</b>

**EXHIBIT “E”**

**Invoices – April and May, 2023**



**BLACK BRIAR**  
ADVISORS LLC

April 30, 2023

Alex E. Jones  
c/o Shelby A. Jordan  
**Jordan & Ortiz, P.C.**  
6207 Bee Cave Road, Suite 120  
Austin, TX 78746

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**Professional Services**

**Rendered:**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Professional</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Task Code</u>
4/2/2023	KN	MOR; Professional Fees; QB	5.50	\$ 2,200.00	B110
4/3/2023	BS	Revise SOFA & schedules	2.00	1,000.00	B110
4/3/2023	BS	Travel-non working	3.00	750.00	B195
4/3/2023	HK	Revise SOFA & schedules	6.50	3,250.00	B110
4/3/2023	HK	Travel-non working	3.00	750.00	B195
4/3/2023	KN	Professional Fees; QB	3.50	1,400.00	B210
4/4/2023	BS	Onsite - meetings with A. Jones; review MOR; discuss schedules;	3.30	1,650.00	B110
4/4/2023	BS	Reviewed Subchapter V Trustees Initial Finding Report	0.60	300.00	B110
4/4/2023	BS	3rd continuation telephonic Meeting of Creditors	1.40	700.00	B150
4/4/2023	HK	Revise SOFA & schedules	4.50	2,250.00	B110
4/4/2023	HK	Reviewed DRAFT Platinum Supplement Affiliate Program Agreement	0.50	250.00	B210
4/4/2023	HK	Review/revise DRAFT Employment Agreement	0.80	400.00	B220
4/4/2023	HK	Reviewed Subchapter V Trustees Initial Finding Report	0.80	400.00	B110
4/4/2023	HK	3rd continuation telephonic Meeting of Creditors (1.4)	1.40	700.00	B150
4/4/2023	KN	Update MOR, amend Dec, Jan	5.50	2,200.00	B110
4/5/2023	BS	Meeting w K. Norderhaug - MOR with SOFA balances	0.80	400.00	B210
4/5/2023	BS	Meetings with AEJ and FSS employees - operations	5.50	2,750.00	B210
4/5/2023	BS	Review/revise DRAFT Employment Agreement	1.00	500.00	B220
4/5/2023	BS	Bitcoin research and follow up	0.70	350.00	B220
4/5/2023	BS	Meeting with FSS CRO	1.50	750.00	B210
4/5/2023	BS	Travel-non working	3.00	750.00	B195
4/5/2023	HK	Meetings with AEJ and FSS employees - operations	6.70	3,350.00	B210
4/5/2023	HK	Meeting with FSS CRO	1.50	750.00	B210
4/5/2023	HK	Travel-non working	3.00	750.00	B195
4/5/2023	KN	Update QB; compare MOR with SOFA balances	3.50	1,400.00	B210
4/6/2023	HK	Calls with AEJ regarding email someone sent civil judge	1.20	600.00	B210
4/6/2023	KN	Review QB; update beginning balances; update MOR	7.00	2,800.00	B210
4/7/2023	BS	Meeting w K. Norderhaug - MOR with SOFA balances; email to counsel	1.50	750.00	B110
4/7/2023	HK	Conference call with UCC	1.50	750.00	B150
4/7/2023	KN	Update and revise MOR	3.50	1,400.00	B110
4/9/2023	KN	MOR; Professional Fees; QB	2.50	1,000.00	B110
4/10/2023	HK	Finalizing revised December & January MOR's and February MOR	5.70	2,850.00	B110
4/10/2023	KN	MOR; March QB	5.50	2,200.00	B110
4/11/2023	HK	Travel-non working	3.00	750.00	B195
4/11/2023	HK	Onsite t FSS - AEJ's employment contract, meeting with AEJ; meeting with T. Enlow	5.00	2,500.00	B210
4/11/2023	KN	Dec-Feb MOR restatements	8.00	3,200.00	B110
4/12/2023	HK	At FSS - meeting with AEJ	0.50	250.00	B210
4/12/2023	HK	Call with SAG Re: AEJ's SAG checks	0.50	250.00	B210
4/12/2023	HK	Worked on revising certain spreadsheets for mediator such as Crypto, etc.	7.00	3,500.00	B120
4/12/2023	KN	QB March ; bank reconciliations	8.00	3,200.00	B210
4/13/2023	HK	At FSS - preparation & meeting with FSS CRO	2.20	1,100.00	B210
4/13/2023	HK	Meeting with AEJ	1.30	650.00	B210
4/13/2023	HK	AEJ executive compensation spreadsheet	2.30	1,150.00	B220
4/13/2023	HK	Travel-non working	3.00	750.00	B195
4/13/2023	KN	QB March; expenses, payroll tax, reconciliations	6.00	2,400.00	B220

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4/14/2023	HK	Worked on SOFA schedules	3.80	1,900.00	B110
4/14/2023	KN	QB March ; bank reconciliations	4.50	1,800.00	B220
4/17/2023	HK	Revised SOFA schedules	3.20	1,600.00	B110
4/17/2023	HK	Revised AEJ's incentive bonus worksheet	2.50	1,250.00	B220
4/17/2023	KN	March QB; March MOR	7.50	3,000.00	B210
4/18/2023	HK	Travel-non working	3.00	750.00	B195
4/18/2023	HK	At FSS - worked on property tax protests for all properties	2.50	1,250.00	B240
4/18/2023	HK	Revised SOFA schedules	6.00	3,000.00	B110
4/18/2023	KN	QB; Financials; discussions with Sarah	5.00	2,000.00	B210
4/19/2023	BS	Bitcoin research and follow up	0.50	250.00	B120
4/19/2023	BS	March MOR review	0.70	350.00	B110
4/19/2023	BS	Analyze ESG A/r, inventory	0.50	250.00	B210
4/19/2023	HK	At FSS - Worked on response to UCC's reservation of rights filing	9.00	4,500.00	B190
4/19/2023	KN	March MOR; Bank Transfers	7.50	3,000.00	B110
4/20/2023	HK	A FSS - preparation for & meeting with FSS CRO	1.30	650.00	B210
4/20/2023	HK	Meeting AEJ	1.60	800.00	B210
4/20/2023	HK	Meeting with Blake Re: new products	1.50	750.00	B210
4/20/2023	HK	Worked on AEJ's reduction in expenses spreadsheet	1.00	500.00	B210
4/20/2023	HK	Travel-non working	3.00	750.00	B195
4/20/2023	KN	Reconcile Sales and Receivables, make cumulative QB entries	5.00	2,000.00	B210
4/21/2023	BS	Calls with BlackBriar to finalize MORs	2.30	1,150.00	B110
4/21/2023	BS	Call with UCC	1.50	750.00	B150
4/21/2023	BS	Banking issues - declined transactions	0.40	200.00	B210
4/21/2023	BS	Review /revise March financial statements	1.00	500.00	B210
4/21/2023	HK	Attorney's office, discussed employment contract	0.60	300.00	B220
4/21/2023	HK	Preparation for UCC call	2.20	1,100.00	B150
4/21/2023	HK	Call with UCC	1.50	750.00	B150
4/21/2023	HK	Calls with BlackBriar to finalize MORs	2.30	1,150.00	B110
4/21/2023	KN	Reconcile Sales and Receivables	6.00	2,400.00	B210
4/22/2023	HK	Worked on AEJ's reduction in expenses spreadsheet	2.00	1,000.00	B210
4/22/2023	KN	Update QB to restate monthly sales entries reconciled to worksheets	4.50	1,800.00	B210
4/23/2023	HK	Updated FSS sales reconciliation & ESG sales reconciliation	1.60	800.00	B210
4/24/2023	HK	Travel-non working	3.00	750.00	B195
4/24/2023	HK	Onsite at FSS - review/revise budget	4.50	2,250.00	B210
4/24/2023	HK	Call to discuss AEJ property protests	0.50	250.00	B120
4/24/2023	KN	Revise MORs- Dec-March	7.00	2,800.00	B110
4/25/2023	BS	Fee App	2.00	1,000.00	B160
4/25/2023	BS	MOR revisions	1.20	600.00	B110
4/25/2023	HK	At FSS - worked on dischargeability with counsel	9.00	4,500.00	B190
4/25/2023	HK	Travel-non working	3.00	750.00	B195
4/25/2023	KN	Redo MORs to add Prenup; meet with B. Schleizer	7.00	2,800.00	B110
4/26/2023	KN	Create budget; talk with Leslie, Sarah; recap transfers to FSS	7.50	3,000.00	B210
4/27/2023	BS	Onsite - FSS - meet with A. Jones, P. Magill, operations, cash flow, budget	5.00	2,500.00	B210
4/27/2023	BS	MOR revisions	2.00	1,000.00	B110
4/27/2023	BS	Review/revise DRAFT Employment Agreement	0.80	400.00	B220
4/27/2023	BS	Travel-non working	3.00	750.00	B195
4/27/2023	KN	Budget review/ expense analysis/ discussions with Leslie and Sarah	6.50	2,600.00	B210
4/28/2023	BS	FSS hearing	0.90	450.00	B110
4/28/2023	BS	Review historical expenses/budget	2.40	1,200.00	B210
4/28/2023	BS	Bank transfer research	0.40	200.00	B210
4/28/2023	KN	Expense analysis; budget	7.50	3,000.00	B210
4/29/2023	BS	Budget meeting - Teams	0.70	350.00	B210
4/29/2023	KN	Budget analysis- meet with K. Norderhaug	2.00	800.00	B210
4/29/2023	KN	Budget analysis/ discussion with B. Schleizer	2.00	800.00	B210

318.10	\$ 137,000.00
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Total hours for Robert Schleizer (BS)	49.60	\$ 22,550.00
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Total hours for H. Kessler (HK)	130.50	59,250.00
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Total hours for K. Norderhaug (KN)	138.00	55,200.00
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318.10	\$ 137,000.00
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**Expenses**

JSG	Due Diligence Case 22-33553	\$ 11,002.00
VP	Personal Property Appraisal	11,471.07
	From attached expense breakdown	\$ 6,955.42
<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>\$ 29,428.49</b>

**Total Invoice Amount****\$ 166,428.49**

BlackBriar Advisors LLC  
2626 Cole Ave., Suite 300  
Dallas, TX 75204

Alex E. Jones

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Airfare/Train</u>	<u>Mileage</u>	<u>Meals</u>	<u>Auto</u>	<u>Hotel</u>	<u>Other</u>	<u>Total</u>
1-Apr	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2-Apr	168.90	-	-	-	-	29.63	198.53
3-Apr	129.00	5.90	150.00	-	-	-	284.90
4-Apr	129.00	-	24.74	-	-	-	153.74
5-Apr	297.90	5.90	85.29	-	435.00	-	824.09
6-Apr	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7-Apr	-	-	-	174.58	-	47.95	222.53
8-Apr	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
9-Apr	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
10-Apr	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
11-Apr	-	5.90	-	45.58	-	-	51.48
12-Apr	-	-	40.27	34.85	-	-	75.12
13-Apr	129.00	5.90	7.69	33.97	353.34	-	529.90
14-Apr	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15-Apr	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-Apr	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
17-Apr	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
18-Apr	174.00	6.16	17.30	-	-	-	197.46
19-Apr	-	-	-	44.10	-	-	44.10
20-Apr	129.00	6.16	11.47	51.52	735.68	142.89	1,076.72
21-Apr	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
22-Apr	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
23-Apr	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
24-Apr	179.00	6.16	-	36.91	-	-	222.07
25-Apr	159.00	6.16	-	27.51	360.48	84.90	638.05
26-Apr	168.90	-	-	-	-	-	168.90
27-Apr	168.90	60.04	60.04	-	219.99	19.00	467.93
28-Apr	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
29-Apr	168.90	-	-	-	-	-	168.90
30-Apr	844.50	-	279.36	174.58	219.99	112.57	1,631.00
1-May	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 2,846.00</b>	<b>\$ 108.28</b>	<b>\$ 676.16</b>	<b>\$ 623.60</b>	<b>\$ 2,324.48</b>	<b>\$ 436.94</b>	<b>\$ 6,955.42</b>



**BLACK BRIAR**  
ADVISORS LLC

May 16, 2023

Alex E. Jones  
c/o Shelby A. Jordan  
**Jordan & Ortiz, P.C.**  
6207 Bee Cave Road, Suite 120  
Austin, TX 78746

Re: **Alexander E. Jones, Debtor In Possession**

Case No. 22-33553

Billing Period: **May 1 through May 15, 2023**

Invoice No. **AJ0501-23**

**Professional Services**

**Rendered:**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Professional</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Task Code</u>
5/1/2023	KN	Review Contini invoices, nanny charges; update budget	4.50	\$ 1,800.00	B210
5/2/2023	BS	Worked on expenses & forecast	4.50	2,250.00	B210
5/2/2023	BS	Travel - non working	3.00	750.00	B195
5/2/2023	HK	Travel - non working	3.00	750.00	B195
5/2/2023	HK	Worked on expenses & forecast	10.00	5,000.00	B210
5/3/2023	BS	Expenses & forecast review historical and background	6.50	3,250.00	B210
5/3/2023	BS	At FSS - Call Teneo Re: MOR's	1.00	500.00	B150
5/3/2023	BS	Meeting with AEJ expenses & forecast	2.70	1,350.00	B210
5/3/2023	BS	Expenses & forecast review historical and background - conference with BlackBriar team	6.50	3,250.00	B210
5/3/2023	HK	At FSS - Call Teneo Re: MOR's	1.00	500.00	B150
5/3/2023	HK	Expenses & forecast review historical and background - conference with BlackBriar team	6.50	3,250.00	B210
5/3/2023	HK	Meeting with AEJ expenses & forecast	2.70	1,350.00	B210
5/3/2023	KN	Update budget, review with Vickie, Bob, Harold	8.00	3,200.00	B210
5/4/2023	BS	At FSS - meeting with AEJ to discuss expenses & forecast	2.30	1,150.00	B210
5/4/2023	BS	At FSS - follow up information for UCC FA	0.60	300.00	B210
5/4/2023	BS	Meet with CRO - FSS operation update; accounting, payroll changes	1.10	550.00	B210
5/4/2023	BS	Travel - non working	3.00	750.00	B210
5/4/2023	HK	At FSS - meeting with AEJ to discuss expenses & forecast	2.30	1,150.00	B210
5/4/2023	HK	Meeting with FSS CRO & attorney & Subchapter V Trustee & attorney to discuss crypto, compensation, etc.	2.10	1,050.00	B120
5/4/2023	HK	Travel - non working	3.00	750.00	B195
5/4/2023	KN	April QB; expenses paid by D Jones	4.00	1,600.00	B210
5/5/2023	HK	Preparation for & reviewed expense and forecast with committee & committee advisors	2.80	1,400.00	B210
5/5/2023	KN	April QB; review expenses to be cut	3.50	1,400.00	B210
5/8/2023	BS	Preparation and call with UCC et al; follow up information	3.20	1,600.00	B150
5/8/2023	HK	Call with B. Schleizer - budget questions	0.70	350.00	B210
5/8/2023	KN	Budget; discussions with Sarah; QB accounting; review invoices	5.00	2,000.00	B210
5/9/2023	BS	Calls with P. Magill; V. Driver FS plan and UCC offer	0.60	300.00	B110
5/9/2023	KN	April Accounting in QB	4.00	1,600.00	B210
5/10/2023	KN	April Accounting in QB; accruals	4.00	1,600.00	B210
5/11/2023	KN	Accounting; MOR	4.50	1,800.00	B210
5/12/2023	KN	Accounting; MOR	5.50	2,200.00	B210
5/15/2023	HK	At attorney's office	3.50	1,750.00	B210
5/15/2023	HK	Call with Committee & advisors	1.10	550.00	B210
5/15/2023	KN	Accounting Issues	3.00	1,200.00	B210
5/15/2023	BS	Banking issues DIP Account	0.50	250.00	B210
			<b>120.20</b>	<b>\$ 52,500.00</b>	

Total hours for Robert Schleizer (BS)

35.50 \$ 16,250.00

Total hours for Harold Kessler (HK)

38.70 17,850.00

Total hours for Kathy Norderhaug (KN)

46.00 18,400.00

**120.20 \$ 52,500.00**

**Expenses**

DM Digital Mountain, Inc - iPhone Collection Retainer  
AT Assessment Technologies - Tax Saving Services 2023 Base Fees  
From attached expense breakdown

2,400.00

1,250.00

2,066.73

Total Expenses

**5,716.73**

**Total Invoice Amount**

**\$ 58,216.73**

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1-May	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2-May	387.00	6.16	116.30	14.97	239.85	-	764.28
3-May	-	-	37.35	-	-	-	37.35
4-May	129.00	6.16	-	-	881.80	-	1,016.96
5-May	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
6-May	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7-May	-	-	-	248.14	-	-	248.14
8-May	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
9-May	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
10-May	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
11-May	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
12-May	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
13-May	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
14-May	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15-May	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-May	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
17-May	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
18-May	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
19-May	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
20-May	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
21-May	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
22-May	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
23-May	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
24-May	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
25-May	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
26-May	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
27-May	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
28-May	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
29-May	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
30-May	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
31-May	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 516.00</b>	<b>\$ 12.32</b>	<b>\$ 153.65</b>	<b>\$ 263.11</b>	<b>\$ 1,121.65</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 2,066.73</b>